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Four years after the Rents Ordinance became law, and on the eve of its probable withdrawal by the legislature an entirely new point cropped up in a case which came before Mr. Justice Wood in the Summary Court recently, and gave rise to a very interesting judgment this morning.

Mr. Justice Wood was asked to decide the standard rent of premises, each floor of which was a separate letting on the all-important date, December 31st, 1920, but which in May, 1924, were let as a whole house to a new tenant, the lessor having obtained the surrender of the three previous tenancies.

The standard rent recoverable from the premises, when the floors were separate lettings was \$93, but the whole house was rented to the defendants in the action for \$190 per month.

MORE COMPREHENSIVE CONTRACT.

The landlord, Wong Ling, was suing to recover rent reserved by the tenancy of 18, Gilman Bazaar, and it was necessary for him to establish that the new rent \$190 was the standard rent for the house.

It did not appear to have been decided, said Mr. Justice Wood in delivering judgment, whether when a standard rent had been attached to a domestic tenancy, a new standard rent might become payable in respect of the same premises if merged in a more comprehensive contract of tenancy.

He referred to a judgment in which it had been decided that a new-granted sub-tenancy was independent of the amount of the standard rent for the whole house. The reasoning, which led to the conclusion that apportionment of a standard rent amongst component sections was not contemplated, was, continued Mr. Wood, not wholly applicable to the case in which domestic tenements were combined.

SIMPLE ARITHMETIC.

One decisive ground for the conclusion was the absence of any machinery provided for any such apportionment, and when tenements were combined, the problem of combining their respective rents was one of simple arithmetic.

No help was to be derived in the case before him from consideration of the object of the legislation, which was principally to protect existing tenants in their occupation.

The original tenants of the premises had surrendered their holdings, and it could scarcely be argued that the Ordinance intended to go further and to furnish a favourable condition of occupation for a new tenant accepting the tenancy of new premises.

OLD CHARACTER DORMANT.

After consideration of the terms of a domestic tenancy, as contained in the Ordinance, he was of opinion that a new tenancy was granted on May 4th, 1924, and that whatever the character of each floor might have been previously, that character became dormant, and would remain dormant until each floor again became a separate letting during the currency of the Rents Ordinance.

To find the standard rent it was only necessary to enquire the rent of the premises when let as a whole, and, in the absence of any evidence to show that they were so let at any date earlier than May 4th, 1924, the rent fixed on that date must necessarily be the standard rent.

He accordingly found for the plaintiff, and entered judgment for him with costs.

Mr. L. R. Andrews appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. W. D. Owen for the defendant.

DEADLOCK ON COAL QUESTION.

YESTERDAY'S ABORTIVE CONFERENCE.

MEN STILL ADAMANT.

London, June 8.

As the outcome of Mr. Evan Williams' letter to Mr. Herbert Smith a meeting of the Coal-owners' representatives and Miners' Federation officials took place this afternoon, lasting for 3½ hours, but it was abortive.

A Mineowners' statement says that the other side emphasised that it was not disposed to shift the position hitherto taken up, and the miners regretfully concluded there appears to be no immediate hope of carrying the matter further.

Reuter learns that the atmosphere of the conference was far from conducive to peace. The miners, it is alleged, took up a challenging and impatient attitude and absolutely refused to consider any departure from the present hours of working and would not entertain an eight-hours-day under any circumstances or a reduction in wages. They were of opinion that reduction would be unnecessary if re-organisation were carried out.—Reuter.

PRETTY WEDDING.

MR. W. A. NOWERS—MISS DOROTHY KING.

St. John's Cathedral was this afternoon the scene of a very pretty wedding, in which considerable local interest was taken. The bridegroom was Mr. W. A. Nowers, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company (son of the late Mr. E. H. T. Nowers and of Mrs. Nowers), whilst the bride was Miss Dorothy Alice King (daughter of Mr. L. H. King, electrical engineer of the P.W.D., and Mrs. King).

Given away by her father, the bride was attired in a gown of white tulle, trimmed with silver tissue, and she carried a bouquet of lilies and Honolulua creeper. She had as her bridesmaids, her sisters, Misses Margaret and Rosemary King, who wore dresses of pale pink tulle, trimmed with forget-me-nots and who carried bouquets of sweet peas.

The bride's mother wore a dress of black lace on white satin.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. V. H. Copley Moyle, Chaplain of the Cathedral, whilst the duties of "best man" were discharged by Mr. D. G. Bruce. At the organ was Mr. F. Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.I.

After the ceremony, a largely-attended reception was held at "Tandragee," 327 The Peak, the residence of the bride's parents, at which the customary toasts were honoured.

The honeymoon is to be spent in North China, the bride's going-away dress being of white crepe de chine, with saxe blue hat.

ONE YEAR LATE.

SHARE ALLOTMENTS NOT FILED.

The omission of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company, Limited, to register the return of allotment of certain shares issued in 1924, was the subject of an application at the Supreme Court this morning, when Mr. H. G. Sheldon for the company applied for permission to file late.

Mr. Sheldon said that the Company issued 30,000 new shares in December, 1924, and a return in respect of 28,836 of them was filed by Messrs. Deacons. The 1164 unallotted shares were sold to Mr. Benjamin Potts, but as Mr. J. A. Tarrant was engaged in making up the accounts for the year 1924, the return was not filed.

The omission was not discovered until a summary made up for 1925 was presented to the Registrar. An extension for seven days was granted.

LIBERAL SPLIT.

A DEFINITE BREACH OCCURS.

RESULT OF MEETING.

London, June 8.

The Liberal Parliamentary Party has been split into sections headed by Mr. Lloyd George and Lord Oxford as the result of a meeting in the House of Commons, at which thirty-three members were present.

A letter was read from Lord Oxford saying that nothing had happened to alter the views he recently expressed in which he criticised Mr. Lloyd George's attitude during the strike.

A motion to the effect that the Liberal M. P.'s deprecated the publicity given to the leaders' differences, and hoping for restoration of unity, was carried by 20 votes to 10.

After this, an amendment to delete the first part of the resolution was rejected by 20 votes to 12. The voting thus favoured the Lloyd George section.

The opinion is expressed that Sir John Simon will lead the Oxford section in the House of Commons.—Reuter.

MR. CHURCHILL BLAMED.

According to a recent Press message from London, the latest theory regarding the Liberal controversy was that Mr. Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer, was responsible for it.

The Liberal member, Mr. Masterman, declares that taking advantage of the period when official reports of the parliamentary debates have not been printed in consequence of the general strike Mr. Churchill published in the British Gazette extracts from Lord Asquith and Oxford's speech in the House of Lords, which appeared to indicate that the Liberals fully approved the actions of the Government.

Mr. Churchill also published extracts from Mr. Lloyd George's speech in the House of Commons, which suggested that he was preaching purely the "Defeatist doctrine, thus creating complete misunderstanding regarding the statement made by the Liberal leaders in the House of Lords and the House of Commons.

Mr. Masterman personally heard both speeches and declares that he expressed practically identical views, but Mr. Churchill utilized the official organ for misrepresentation of the Liberal attitude.

Mr. Pringle, addressing a public meeting, declared that he had the knowledge that Mr. Lloyd George made overtures toward the Labour Party during recent months. Further suggestions were made but the Labourites rejected them. Although it is persistently rumoured this is the first definite public statement made regarding Mr. Lloyd George's relations with the Labourites, the Left wing declares that Mr. Lloyd George did not want the Labour Party and that any politician who tries to bring him in will be himself thrown out from the party.

A NEW PARTY?

A possibility being discussed in many quarters is the gradual evolution of a new political party under Mr. Lloyd George's leadership, which is recruited from the old Conservative and Labour colleagues as well as from the section of the Liberal commoners, who want bolder leaders than Lord Asquith and Oxford and Lord Grey.

Another possible development mentioned recently was the reconstruction of the Labour Party, whereby Mr. Lloyd George's undoubted ability as a parliamentary tactician will become available.

It is asserted that the majority of the Trade Unionists are not interested in Socialism and have lost confidence in their present leaders, but would welcome Mr. Lloyd George as a leader of the Democratic Party which is not

RETIREMENT OF DAME MELBA.

ROYALTY AT FAREWELL PERFORMANCE.

MEMORABLE OCCASION.

London, June 8.

Their Majesties the King and Queen were present at Covent Garden on the occasion of Dame Melba's farewell operatic performance. At the head of the main staircase stood a bust of the diva surrounded by flowers.

Their Majesties congratulated the singer and wished her every happiness in her retirement.

At the conclusion of a memorable performance the stage was a mass of flowers, the audience being keyed up to the highest pitch of enthusiasm.

Lord Stanley, as Chairman of the Royal Colonial Institute, handed her a bouquet and dwelt on the admiration and affection which Dame Melba had inspired. He conveyed a message of love from every corner of the Empire.

Dame Melba, much moved, spoke of the grief that she would never again sing within the beloved walls of Covent Garden.

There was tumultuous applause as Dame Melba repeatedly kissed her hand to the audience, women throwing their flowers and bouquets on the stage.—Reuter.

Dame Melba made her debut in Brussels as long ago as 1887, and she had thus been singing in public for nearly 40 years. She was born in Melbourne (after which town she took her stage name) and having studied in Paris under Mme. Marchesi made her debut as Gilda in "Rigoletto" at the Theatre de la Monnaie, Brussels. In the following year she first appeared at Covent Garden in "Lucia" and celebrated the 25th anniversary of that appearance by a famous performance at Covent Garden in 1913. Her work on behalf of war charities was rewarded in 1918 by her being made a Dame of the British Empire.

Most of her life has been spent either in Australia, or England, and she has been one of the world's most outstanding figures in the realm of song. She published her life story last year and announced her decision to retire.

MARITIME QUESTIONS.

INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE DEBATE.

Geneva, June 8.

The eighth International Labour Conference closed on June 5th and the ninth opened yesterday to deal with maritime questions. It debated to-day the drafting of an international code of rules relating to seamen's agreements.

Mr. Outhbert Laws, the British employers' delegate, reproached the International Labour Office for not applying the decisions of the Genoa conference.

The Director of the Labour Office replied and said the Genoa conference endeavoured to effect a uniform settlement of judicial conditions for seamen and the Labour Office acted in conformity with the Genoa policy in drawing up a Convention which the Governments had never criticised.

Mr. Henson, the British workers' delegate, opposed the proposals of the employers which Mr. Outhbert Laws submitted for the observance of the International Seamen's Statute as fixed at Genoa.—Reuter.

Socialistic, although it is aggressively active in protecting the interests of the proletariat against exploitation by landowners and industrialists.

These possibilities are being eagerly discussed as a sequel to the early disappearance of the Liberal Party from Politics, but Mr. Lloyd George has recently declared that he intends to remain a Liberal.

FILM RIGHTS.

WAS CENSOR'S CARD FORGED?

"THE KID" DISPUTE.

The famous Charlie Chaplin picture, "The Kid," has created a new interest locally arising from a dispute over the copyright. What is alleged to have been a pirated copy of the film was presented from being shown on two occasions in Hongkong by the Hongkong Amusements Company, Limited, and in a summons for alleged infringements of exhibition copyright in this connection, they have named the How Woo Trading Corporation, a local offshoot of a Chinese film corporation in Shanghai, as the offenders.

The hearing was adjourned last week after one sitting of the Court had arrived at the point as to whether the only person who had the right to bring the prosecution, and was in fact entitled to remedy by the Copyright Act of 1911, was the owner of the copyright and not the Hongkong Amusements Company, Limited, who were said to be merely the assignees of the exhibition copyright for China. Mr. R. E. Lindell then adjourned the hearing to look up the law on this subject.

LEGAL POINT DECIDED.

When the hearing was resumed this morning, his Worship summed up the position. He said: Mr. Gordon Leask (for the defendants), at the last hearing of the summons, raised the point under Section 6 of the Copyrights Act of 1911, that the person having a right to remedy was the person who owned the copyright. Mr. S.C.E. Brooks (for the Hongkong Amusements) replied by quoting Section 5, in which he submitted that apart from the owner of the copyright any person in whom was vested some right in the copyright was allowed this remedy.

His Worship agreed and upheld Mr. Brooks in this view, saying that as a matter of fact the point was made clear by another clause in the Act which stated that the remedy was against any person who knowingly infringed the copyright.

Mr. Leask said that he had looked further into the Ordinance and must admit he was wrong.

GUILTY KNOWLEDGE.

As to the point of "guilty knowledge," which the Magistrate was then called upon to consider, Mr. Leask referred to the evidence of Sergeant Kennedy, who had said that a censorship card was shown to him, on which the How Woo Film Corporation appeared as being the owners. His case was that the defendants, when they handed the film to the Kwong Chee Theatre, were in the innocent belief that it was the How Woo Film Corporation who were the owners. As to the similarity of the names, Mr. Leask explained that the How Woo Trading Corporation of Hongkong, who were the defendants in this case, were merely an offshoot of the Shanghai corporation and, as far as the film business was concerned, were merely acting as agents for the hiring of films to local theatres.

MISSING CARD.

Mr. Brooks caused surprise by replying that it had come to his knowledge that Mr. E. W. Hamilton, who was acting as film censor at the time, had, to the best of his recollection, never censored that film at all, and it was extremely probable, Mr. Brooks added, that the censorship card produced to Sergeant Kennedy was not a genuine one.

This statement drew a protest from Mr. Leask, who said that evidence had been given on the matter by Sergeant Kennedy, who had also deposed to having seen the name of the Chinese film corporation thereon as owners.
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STRIKE OFFICIALS. ARRESTED.

LATEST DEVELOPMENT IN CANTON.

EMBEZZLEMENT ALLEGED.

Something of a sensation has been created in Canton by the arrest of some fourteen or fifteen members of the Strike and Boycott Tribunal, who are accused of irregular conduct, including the embezzlement of Strike Funds.

It is stated that the disclosures were made following a scrutiny of matters by an Investigation Committee, who reported to representatives of various Labour Unions, with the result that it was decided to affect the arrest of all those under suspicion, with a view to ultimate trial. Accordingly, a large detachment of pickets is stated to have visited the Strike Headquarters and carried out the arrests.

Amongst the men arrested are several prominent Union leaders formerly of Hongkong, including the head of the Tailors' Guild and the head of the Barbers' Guild.

Since Saturday last, the Strike Headquarters has been in a state of disorganisation as a consequence of these arrests.

CANTON AFFAIRS.

THE LATEST CHANGES.

At the last weekly meeting of the Committee of the Political Affairs in Canton, Chang Ching-kong, Chairman of the Central Executive Committee, took his seat on the Council. There were no speeches made, but the Committee transacted considerable business. Mr. Sun Fo reported the resignation of the Municipal Treasurer, and requested the Committee to make an appointment to fill the vacancy, and also to appoint a member of the Educational Committee in the place of Mr. Chung Wing-kwong, being absent on leave.

An official communique announces the appointment of General Chang Kai-shek as the Commander-in-Chief of the National Revolutionary Army.

The appointments of Mr. Wei Huk as a member of the Educational Committee and of Mr. Ting Chin-ng as Councillor of the Government are also announced in other communiques.

On the 5th instant, Mr. Sun Fo reported to the Government that he had assumed the office of Mayor on that day. It is stated that he made no important changes in the personnel of the Municipal staff, with the exception of the Municipal Treasurer, who had resigned.

It is reported that General Li Chung-van has now received from the Treasurer, Mr. T. V. Soong, \$350,000 and the promise that the balance of \$150,000 is to be remitted to him in ten days. General Li is preparing to return to Kwangsi in a day or two, and will thence proceed to the front, where it is reported that his forces are finding great difficulties in making headway against the troops of Yip Hol-kim.

U.S. PROSPERITY.

STRONG TREASURY POSITION.

Washington, June 8.
Remarkable evidence of the prosperity of the United States is shown in the statement by Mr. Mellon, that for the first time since the Government started its post-war financial programme there will be no quarterly offering of short-term securities for re-funding purposes. The revenue receipts from income tax, etc., exceed the estimates by such a wide margin that it will now be possible to meet all current expenditure and retire \$334,000,000 of outstanding short-term debt without further borrowing.—Reuter.

PLACED IN IRONS.

GEN. WU TE-CHEN'S FLIGHT.

INVESTIGATIONS CONTINUE.

Rumours have been current in Canton to the effect that General Wu Te-chen, former Chief of Police, who was recently arrested by order of General Chang Kai-shek, has been shot, but this story is not generally believed. It is stated, however, that he is in rigorous confinement and is heavily chained.

Regarding the circumstances of his arrest, it is said that after being taken to General Chang Kai-shek's private residence, General Wu was strongly reprimanded for negligence of duty, for not promptly handing over his office to the new Police Chief and also for collusion with members of the Right wing of the Kuomintang.

FUTILE APPEALS.

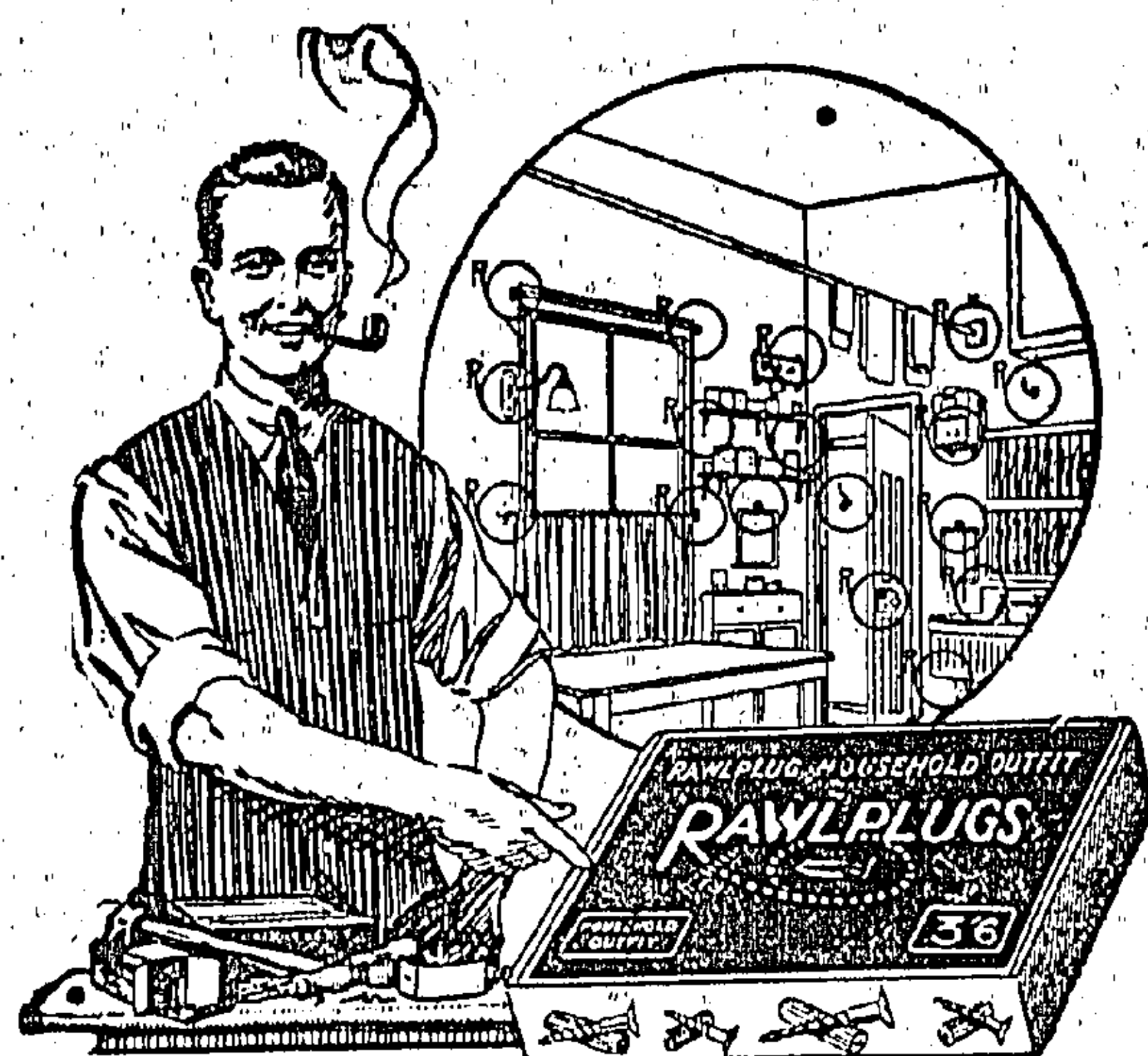
After this reprimand, he was taken to the Wing Sing Monastery, where he was placed in irons. Many of his colleagues, such as General Tan Yen-kai, General Chu Pui-tek, Mr. Sun Fo and Dr. Wu, later called on General Chang Kai-shek and interceded on his behalf, but they were all turned away with the remark:—"As long as the accounts of the Police Department are not cleared up, I can see no reason for his release. Besides, there are other more serious charges against Wu Te-chen which are still under investigation. His future treatment will depend entirely upon the results of the investigations."

ANOTHER STORY.

A further interesting story is in circulation regarding the incidents which led up to the arrest of General Wu Te-chen. This is to the effect that on the night of the 3rd instant, certain military officers called at the Detective Office of the Police Department, representing themselves as having come with a verbal order from General Chang Kai-shek to ask the police to accompany them to the private residence of General Wu for the purpose of making a search of the house. The officer of the watch reported this incident to the Captain Superintendent, who instructed the former, without any written order from General Chang Kai-shek, to send a squad of police to keep strict watch on the house but not to go in with the military officers. This did not satisfy the military officers who went away. But soon after this, they again appeared, this time at the residence of Wu Te-chen, with twenty soldiers, all armed. The policemen, prevented their entrance into the house, and came to a clash with the troops. Before any serious results happened, a large armed force from No. 2 Police Station was despatched to the scene and at the sight of this force the soldiers fled, but one of the military officers was caught. On the arrest of the military officer being reported to General Chang Kai-shek, the latter denied any knowledge of the incident, and it was then revealed that the case was a serious one, whilst the captive was at once placed under irons, pending further investigation into the matter.

WASHINGTON, JUNE 8.

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SEIZURE OF CANNON.

CASE AGAINST ENGINEER COMMENCED.

A case which will involve considerable legal argument—as to whether the mechanical contrivances seized by the Police are cannon or oil producing machines, is at present engaging the attention of the Kowloon Magistrate, and although the Captain Superintendent of Police has requested that it be dealt with summarily, his Worship before the commencement of the evidence intimated that in the event of the case depending on a very intricate point he would commit the defendant to take his trial before a jury.

The prosecution was conducted by Detective Inspector W. Pincott, and Mr. S. Fitzroy, (instructed by Messrs. Lee and Russ) appeared for the defendant.

At the outset Mr. Fitzroy stated that his submissions would be that the Arms Ordinance did not apply to the case and also that the articles were not what they appeared to be. They were made for a specific purpose. The case he said in reply to his Worship, would be based on intricate facts.

In opening his case Inspector Pincott said that the charge was originally brought under Section 4 of the Arms Ordinance and the Emergency Regulations, which provided for the offender being tried by two Magistrates.

The Captain Superintendent of Police had since consulted the Attorney General and the latter was of the opinion that the Emergency Regulations were only applicable to arms which could be used in the Colony. As it was obvious that the cannon in the case were not intended for use in Hongkong the C. S. P. thought that the charge was not sufficiently serious to warrant committal and applied for summary adjudication.

Application for Full Penalty.

The C. S. P. considered, however, that it was sufficiently serious, if his Worship found the case proved, for the infliction of the full penalty, a fine and imprisonment, in view of the fact that it was against the policy of the Hongkong Government to assist any of the opposing factions in China. The case was also considered serious from the fact that the defendant enjoying the protection of the laws of Hongkong should be engaged in wholesale manufacture of cannon.

Describing the incidents leading to the defendant's arrest, Inspector Pincott, said that on May 7, he went, accompanied by a party of detectives and an interpreter, to the Tin Lee engineering shop at Mongkok. Work was in progress as usual and on enquiry the defendant presented himself as the master of the foundry.

In a search made of the Ho Lai Kee timber yard, which is situated between the defendant's premises and the spa front, the Police discovered a cannon in two separate parts. An attempt was made to join the two pieces, but they did not fit into each other. A number of trunnions were found on the premises and by assembling one of these to the cannon parts the two pieces were connected.

On the following day another visit was made under the directions of Mr. D. Burlingham and a small model cannon was found. Major Stanford, continued Inspector Pincott, would tell the Court that the cannon were 18 pounders and made of solid steel.

During the search on that day a sketch among other things was found and according to what the Major would give in evidence it was a rough plan of a cannon mounted on a carriage.

"The defendant has produced in Court," said Inspector Pincott, "a model of what he says is a complete

oil pressing-machine, but I submit to your Worship that any professional engineer could do anything with these cannon if given sufficient time."

Expert Evidence.

Major A. R. Stanford, R.A.O.C., ordnance mechanical engineer, was then called by the prosecution. He gave full descriptions of the various articles shown him by the Police and said that exhibit "A" was a jointed gun with two parts that screw into each other. The chase portion at the joint was reduced in diameter. It was adjusted with a breech screw carrier and lever and was similar pattern to the 18 pounder guns, with the exception that there was no firing mechanism fitted to the cannon. This cannon was, however, provided with a radical bent or touch hole.

Continuing Major Stanford said that he visited the defendant's workshop where he found similar guns in the process of manufacture. In one part of the shop were two lathes suitable for the manufacture of guns and one of these had a partially completed cannon between its centres.

In another part of the premises witness found a breech end with the mechanism partly fitted, while near by there was the completed breech end. Witness also discovered a number of complete trunnion bands and some steel shafts which were suitable for the manufacture of several more of such guns.

Further Discoveries.

On going to the premises next door witness found two completed chase portions lying near the water's edge and also the small model gun. Describing the article marked "B," witness said that it was practically the same as the cannon first referred to, with the exception that it was minus the chase portion but had in addition an elevating gear.

With regard to the sketch witness said it was a very rough plan of a similar gun to that marked "A." It might be shown to be mounted on a carriage but witness said he would not swear to that, as the sketch was very rough.

Inspector Pincott: Have you any opinion as to why the cannon should be jointed?

Witness: In my opinion they are jointed to facilitate transportation.

In reply to Mr. Fitzroy witness said that smooth bores were used in the cannon. The only manner in which a projectile could be fired was by means of gun powder or a fuse placed in the touch hole.

Mr. Fitzroy: Will it stand high explosive?

Witness: Oh, yes. It will stand cordite or gun powder, but we do not call that "high explosive."

Continuing witness said that the shafts he found could possibly be old propeller shafts.

Mr. Fitzroy: Regarding the elevating gear. That is about the simplest form that could be used?—Well not quite the simplest. A wedge might also be used.

Cannon's "Life."

What about the "life" of a cannon like these?—That depends on the charge they intend to use in them.

In answer to further questions witness said that the cannon "A" was a 3½ inch gun and provided a reasonable charge was used it might last about two to three thousand rounds.

Inspector Pincott was the next witness to give evidence and he described his visits to the workshop, bearing out the facts given in his outline of the case.

Cross examined by Mr. Fitzroy he said that on the plan found on the premises the Chinese characters "Water power oil-crushing machine" appeared.

D'OLSY'S FLIGHT.

READY TO BE RESUMED.

Paris, June 8.
Pellitier D'Oisy will resume his flight to Tokyo as soon as weather is favourable.—Havas.

Witness could not interpret the various architectural hieroglyphics which were drawn on the sketch.

Reading from an order book which he had seized Inspector Pincott said that there were two entries relating to machines. The first was dated, March 27 and against the name of the Wo Hop firm appeared the characters "two sets water pumping oil-pressing machines. Price \$840, deposit, \$120."

The second item was an order by Li Kung-leung for another two sets or similar machines for which the man had paid an order deposit of \$200.

When asked, the defendant stated that these two orders came from Macao but he did not know the address of either of the purchasers.

The case was adjourned till this afternoon.

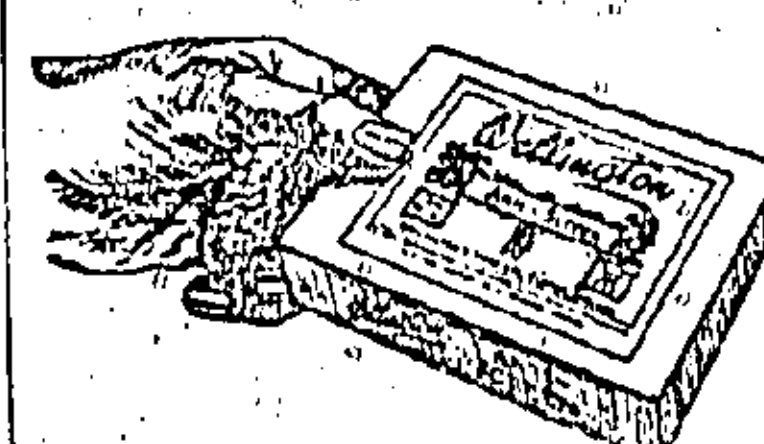
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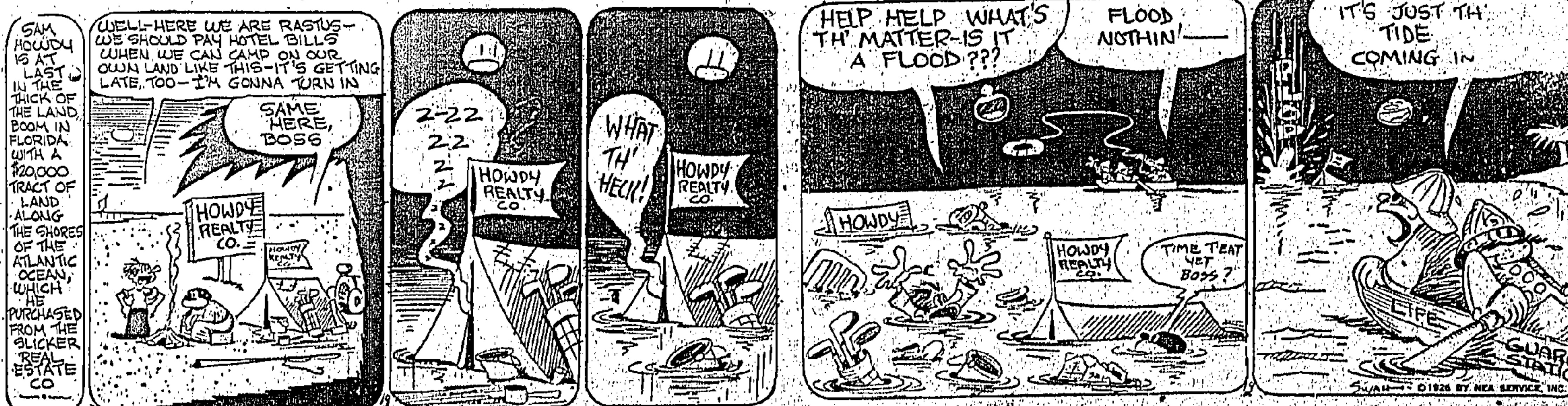
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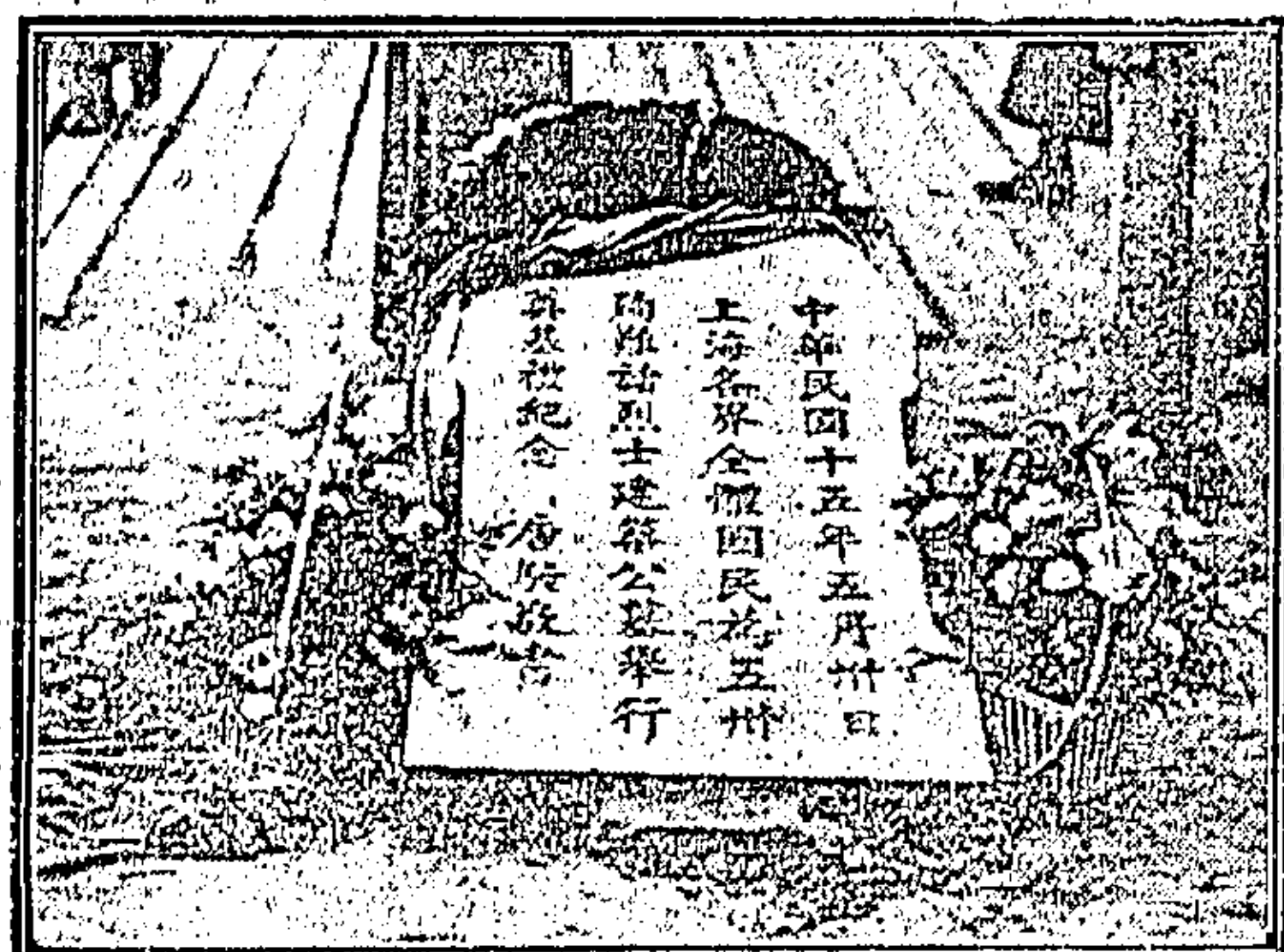




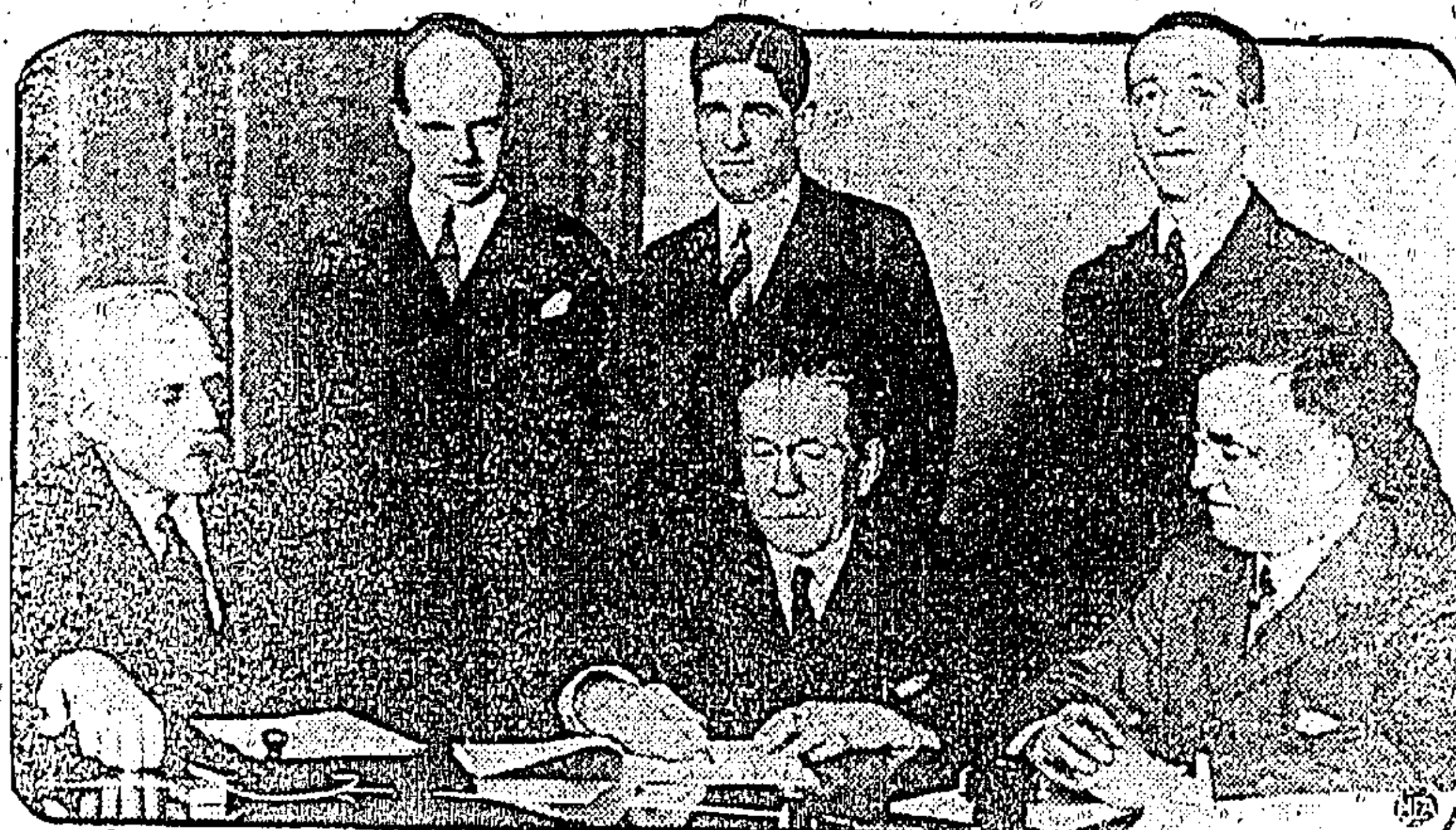
SHANGHAI TOMB CEREMONY.—Chinese girl students took an active part in the tomb ceremony in Chapel Shanghai, last week. As this picture shows, a number of girls carried wreaths and placed them on the memorial stone and in the methods where pictures of the victims of May 30 last were exhibited.



BOWING TO THE MEMORIAL STONE.—After the memorial stone was unveiled at the Shanghai tomb site, officials solemnly bowed to it in reverence to the dead. Picture was taken during this part of the ceremony which was attended by about 2,000 persons.

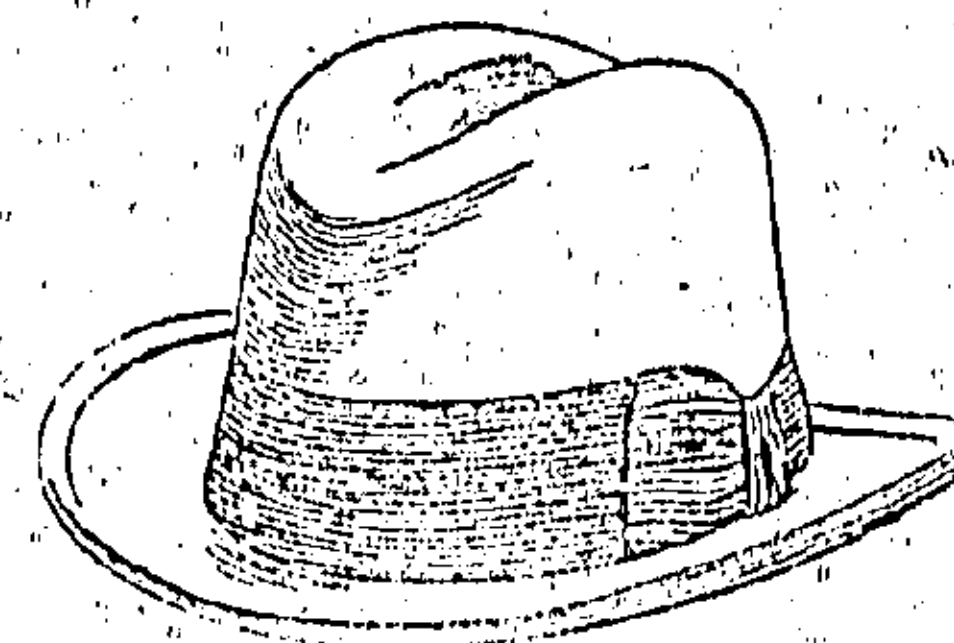


FIRST STONE OF NEW TOMB.—This is the stone unveiled yesterday as first stone of the tomb to be built in which to bury the bodies of the victims of the Nanking Road shooting. This inscription on it was composed by a noted Chinese writer.



SIGNING FRENCH-AMERICAN WAR DEBT AGREEMENT.—Henri Benanger (centre), French Ambassador, signs the French debt funding agreement, ending the long dispute over the settlement of war loans. On the left is Secretary of the Treasury Mellon; on the right, Under-secretary of the Treasury Garrard B. Wilson. Standing, left to right, are E. Haguzin, inspector of finance; F. G. Blair of the war loan division, and R. Lacour-Gayet, financial attaché of the French legation.

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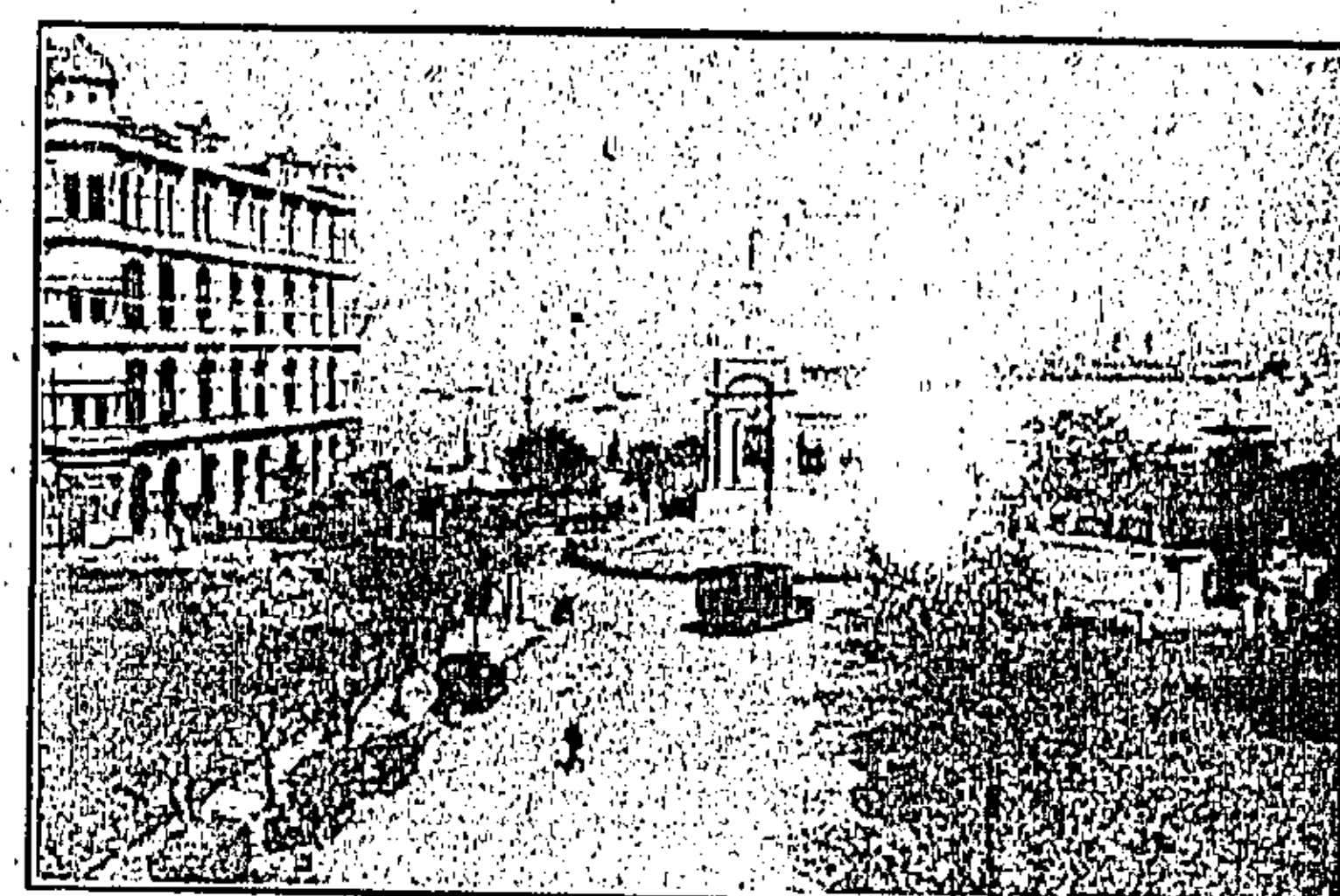


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FAMOUS CHINESE ARTIST.—The painted scrolls of Chin Kung-poi are much in demand by the art connoisseurs of China, who claim that the best works of this artist are equal to the masterpieces of olden times. His picture shows the painter with two of his prized scrolls in his Peking studio.

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NOTICE.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its office Prince's Building, Hongkong, on Wednesday, 23rd June, 1926, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1926.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 19th June, 1926, to Wednesday, 23rd June, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

S. K. MOOSA,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th June, 1926.

NOTICE.

The Catholic Community are very cordially invited to a Reception to be held in the Theatre Royal, at 5.30 p.m., on MONDAY, the 14th June, 1926, on the occasion of the presentation of addresses to the Right Reverend Monsignor H. Valtorta, Vicar Apostolic of Hongkong.

For the Committee,

C. A. de ROZA,

President.

G. P. de MARTIN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 7th June, 1926.

THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

The Half-Yearly General Meeting of Members will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex, on MONDAY, 21st June, 1926, at 5.15 p.m.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, 4th June, 1926.

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Weather and Ground permitting the Final Open Championship Singles and Distribution of Prizes will take place on Thursday 10th June. Play will commence at 4.15 p.m.

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The Forty Fifth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hongkong, on Thursday, the 10th June, 1926, at 12 noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 3rd to 24th June, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
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Hongkong, 20th May, 1926.

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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period. No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 15th June, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 29th June, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Hongkong, June 9, 1926.

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In connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Transit and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong, Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd. Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 7 a.m. to-day requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after Monday, the 14th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the Thursday, the 17th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on Monday, the 14th instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

J. LIMAGRE,

Agent.

Hongkong, June 9, 1926.

NEW GERMAN BIBLE.

IS LUTHER'S TRANSLATION EFFETE?

Berlin, April 29.—A new translation of the Bible into German has been undertaken by two Hebrew scholars—Dr. Buber, leader of the Zionist Youth Movement in Germany, and Dr. Rosenzweig, founder of the Jewish seminary at Frankfurt. It is stated that both Catholics and Protestants in Germany are as deeply interested as the Jewish leaders in this attempt to bring the Old Testament nearer to the spirit of mankind in general to-day, and are supporting the work with the greatest sympathy. There is as yet no approved "revised version" in Germany.

This is by no means the first attempt to improve upon Martin Luther's translation, but it is actually the first attempt to give the Germans of to-day a Bible in a language satisfying the demands both of completely accurate text and beautiful phrasing. Those supporting the movement are apparently acting in the belief that Luther's magnificently rugged German belongs to a past age and, as such, has lost its appeal to twentieth-century minds.

A highly interesting criticism of the result as shown so far by the book of Genesis, appears from a Jewish pen in the "Frankfurter Zeitung." This writer complains that the improvement on Luther's language is the German of the Wagner opera, a cultured mediocrity, but whether it will supersede the less cultured work of Luther in the hearts of the people appears very doubtful.—Observer.

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Commencing May let the rates for wireless messages to the river steamers "Lungshan," "Taishan" and "Kinshan" will be reduced from 50 cents per word to 15 cents per word with minimum charge of \$1.50.

INWARD MAILS.

From	For	Due
Australia and Manila	Arafa	June 9.
Europe via Suez (Letters and papers)		
London 13th May, and parcels 8th	Karmala	June 10.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan, Shanghai	President Cleveland	June 10.
and Europe via Siberia	Kutsang	June 10.
Strails	Suiyang	June 10.
Shanghai	Khyber	June 11.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. McKinley	June 12.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Asia	June 15.
Australia and Manila	Aki Maru	June 18.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.	President Jackson	Wed., June 9.
	Registration	2.45 p.m.
	Letters	3.30 p.m.
	(Due Victoria, B.C. 28th June)	
Manila	Beaumont	Wed., June 9, 4.30 p.m.
Fort Bayard and Hoihow	Song Bo	Wed., June 9, 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Fooning	Wed., June 9, 5 p.m.
Haiiphong	Mingsang	Thurs., June 10, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via Vancouver, B.C.	Emp. of Australia	Thurs., June 10.
	Parcels	3 p.m.
	Registration	4.15 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
	(Due Vancouver, B.C. 30th June)	
Straits	Vancloen	Thurs., June 10, 5 p.m.
*Shanghai and Japan	Karmala	Thurs., June 10, 5 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.	Proteslaus	Fri., June 11.
	Parcels	9 a.m.
	Registration	9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
	(Due Victoria, B.C. 7th July)	
Haiiphong	Tonkin	Fri., June 11, 12.30 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	Fri., June 11, 1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Kweiyang	Fri., June 11, 5 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Parcels	June 11, 5 p.m.
	Khyber	Sat., June 12.
	Registration	9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles 11th July)	
Straits and Calcutta	Pooksang	Sat., June 12.
	Parcels	Noon.
	Letters	1 p.m.
Haiiphong	Leesang	Sat., June 12, 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining	Sat., June 12, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia (letters postcards specially superscribed "via Siberia" only).	Kutsang	Sat., June 12, 5 p.m.
Manila	Pres. McKinley	Sun., June 13, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kaijo Maru	Sun., June 13, 9 a.m.
Bangkok	Kwangtung	Mon., June 14, 2.30 p.m.
Anking	Hsueh	Mon., June 14, 5 p.m.
Sandakan	Hsueh	Tues., June 15, 12.30 p.m.
Amoy	Szechuan	Tues., June 15, 5 p.m.
Shanghai	Kwongshang	Wed., June 16, 10.50 a.m.
Hoihow and Haiiphong	Sunning	Wed., June 16, 5 p.m.
Weihow	Taming	Thurs., June 17, 8.30 a.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Huechow	Thurs., June 17, 2.30 p.m.
	Yuenang	Thurs., June 17, 5 p.m.
	Change	Fri., June 18.
	Parcels	9 a.m.
	Registration	9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
	(Due Thursday Island 30th June)	
Straits and Calcutta	Namsang	Sat., June 19.
	Parcels	Noon.
	Letters	1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Eumaeus	Mon., June 21.
	Registration	1.45 p.m.
	Letters	2.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles 21st July)	

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

POLICE OF CORFU.

A BRITISH-TRAINED FORCE.

Corfu, April 26.—The tranquil life of Corfu, which is never agitated by news of revolutions in continental Greece, has been shaken to the depths by the rumour that the police were to be abolished.

There are two police forces in this country, a rural gendarmerie in which Corfu takes no interest, and a new urban body stationed in the four great towns—Athens, Piraeus, Salonica, and Patras—and also in Corfu itself. The town has, indeed, no claim to the epithet "great," nor are its placid inhabitants in need of special supervision. The ground for its distinction is that the members of the force are trained here, some 300 policemen and would-be policemen being housed in a barrack which still bears the marks of Italian shells.

The island thus regards itself as father and mother of the police and is all the prouder of them because they are a British-trained force. Sir Frederick Halliday, late Chief Commissioner of Police in Calcutta, is head of the police mission and has done his work with a handful of assistants. The school itself, by a touch of paradox which has had the happiest results, is directed by an Englishman whose previous experience lay outside police work. If the school had not brought him to Salonica, and aroused in him an enthusiasm for modern Greek, he would presumably still be taking

his form in a great English public school.

"The men, who are of smaller build than our British police, wear smart grey uniforms and patrol their beats with that gait of business-like indifference characteristic of the London bobby. They are proud of their work—in fact, one of the difficulties of the force is that it tends to attract men who have taken degrees in law and are prepared to argue with magistrates. The rate of pay was adequate until the recent fall in the drachma, and the standard of efficiency is high.

Traffic could in Athens be enforced as successfully as in London, and Corfuites returning from the capital report what a policeman's hand can do. But, in spite of its success, the future of the force was seriously threatened. The colonel of the gendarmerie demanded urban posts for his men in return for political services, and the Dictator agreed. Happily the Prefect of Corfu, who hastened to Athens in protest, found abundant support and the final decision is that the police are to go on as before except in Athens, where they are now confined to traffic and health control and have nothing to do with the detection of crime.

This is good enough for Corfu, which, after laughing at the report that Athens insurance companies have put up their burglary rates, has settled down to quiet satisfaction with its man in grey.

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SHOWROOM: 62, Nathan Road, Kowloon.
Telephone No. K. 677.**SHANGHAI CRIME.****SEQUEL TO KILLING A
POLICEMAN.**

The efficiency of the Shanghai municipal police, which passes by so often with no comment, was forcibly demonstrated on the 4th inst. when the alleged murderer of the Chinese constable who was killed by an armed robber in Yangtzepoo, was found in hospital, suffering from two bullet wounds in the legs. It is the police theory that after being shot by the Japanese constable, who came to the rescue of his Chinese comrade, the robber ran into Chapel and then later virtually crawled to hospital. While he was being attended to there, the superintendent notified the police, and he was removed under armed guard to the police hospital. He will appear at the Mixed Court charged with murder, when he is able to leave his bed. Shop assistants, victims of the robber, identified the wounded man as the bandit. The Japanese constable fired five shots at the man and thought he missed with all, as the robber continued running. When taken into custody the man was found to have two bullet wounds. He explained at the hospital that he had been wounded by armed robbers.

On the 3rd inst. Chinese detectives arrested two men, alleged kidnapers, in the French Concession on Route Stanislas. Chevalier. When searched, two automatic pistols, fully loaded, were found strapped to their thighs. One of the men also carried 50 spare rounds. Of the two Li Nyoh-dee admitted at Louza police station that he fired two shots on North Szechuen Road Extension on the morning of the 2nd, when the police informer was killed outright. He also said that he was accompanied by another kidnapper, Tsang Nyeu-wo, who is still at large.

During May only 30 armed robberies took place, being about half the usual monthly number. In several instances, those who perpetrated the crime were caught shortly after. The special branch of the C. I. D. has between 50 and 60 alleged robbers, waiting on remand for trial at the Mixed Court.

OBITUARY.**MR. JOHN DEIDRICH
SPRECKLES.**

Washington, June 8.
The death is reported of John Deidrich Spreckles.—*Reuter.*

John D. Spreckles was an American capitalist, born at Charleston, S. C., August 13, 1853. He was brother of Rudolph Spreckles who has been interested for many years in the sugar industry in Hawaii and the Philippines. In 1880 he founded the J. D. Spreckles and Bros. Co., shipping and commission merchants, owning a fleet of tugs and vessels trading with Hawaii. He also founded the Western Sugar Refinery Company and at the time of the sale of the so-called Friar lands in the Philippines financed the purchase of some of the estates. He was interested in a large number of different enterprises, among them the Spreckles Sugar Company, the Coronado Beach Company, the San Diego Electric Railway Company, the Coronado water company, also ferry companies, transfer concerns and several railways in the southern states. He was the proprietor of the San Francisco Morning Call.

THE SPANISH FLIERS.**ESCORTING PLANE CRASHES
ON LANDING.**

An army aeroplane, piloted by Lieutenant Cornelius O'Connor, who had escorted the Spanish mail boat, Legaspi, with Captain Gallarza on board outside the breakwater, crashed at the army aviation field at Camp Nichols on the 1st inst. when landing. The machine was almost entirely demolished.

According to information obtained at Fort Santiago, the military headquarters it appears that the plane in landing knocked the wheels off causing it to overturn. The wings of the plane crumpled up. Neither pilot nor mechanic was hurt.

The first stone of the Spanish Memorial proposed by Professor Austin Craig as a remembrance of the Madrid-Manila flight was laid on the 1st inst. at 5 o'clock p.m. by Captain Gallarza on a site on the Magallanes Drive in front of the Isabela Gate.

The Mayor, President Tan of the city council, Consul General Motta of Spain, Don Romero Salas and other well known personages were present.

A competition among sculptors and architects will be held for the best model for the memorial, it was decided by the committee appointed by the mayor.

It is further expected that P20,000 will be collected from public subscription to defray the expenses.

**BRAZIL AND THE
LEAGUE.****FORMAL WITHDRAWAL
IMMINENT.**

Rio de Janeiro, June 8.
The newspaper *O Globo* announces that Brazil is formally notifying her resignation from the League of Nations in a few weeks, and will not participate in the Assembly meeting in September at Geneva.

It is noteworthy in connection with the foregoing that the Brazilian representative, Senor Frango Mello, was absent from yesterday's meeting of the Council on the ground of indisposition, but failed to send the usual substitute.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Spain's Position.

London, June 8.
The talk of Brazilian withdrawal from the League draws attention to the difficulties looming up in connection with reconstruction of the League Council. Yesterday's meeting of the Council opened with two significant absentees, Senor Mello, already mentioned, and also Quinones de Leon (Spain) who was suddenly recalled to Spain, though unlike Mello he provided a deputy to the Council.

A Madrid message semi-officially explains that Leon was recalled to exchange views on international policy not connected with the League, though Senor Yanguas, the Foreign Minister, interviewed, pointed out that the feeling of a recent meeting of the commission, examining the constitution of the Council sided with Viscount Cecil's view, which was contrary to the Spanish aspirations, consequently the present meeting at Geneva did not interest Spain since the presence of all the members was unnecessary for the functioning of the organisation, but in order to testify her loyalty to the League Spain had appointed her charge d'affaires at Berne to sit in Leon's absence.—*Reuter.*

GERMAN EXCITEMENT.**CONTROVERSY OVER ROYAL
PROPERTIES.**

Berlin, June 8.
A bolt from the blue descended in the Reichstag on its resuming after Whitsun, in the shape of publication of a letter by Von Hindenburg which is interpreted as a threat of resignation in the event of the plebiscite on June 20, resulting in favour of expropriation of the Hohenzollern and other Royal families' properties.

The President says, "I have spent my life in the service of the Kings of Prussia and the German Kaisers, and regard the plebiscite as a great wrong, a regrettable lack of feeling and tradition, and an uncouth piece of thanklessness." He foresees a "serious attack against the structure of the State, whose deepest foundation is respect for the law and recognition of property."

The letter increases the Cabinet's difficulties, which are becoming acute. The controversy has aroused excitement all over the country, as the Republicans see therein another attempt to undermine the Republican constitution.—*Reuter.*

THE MOSUL TREATY.**TURKISH RATIFICATION.**

Angora, June 8.
The Assembly has ratified the Anglo-Turkish Mosul Treaty.—*Reuter.*

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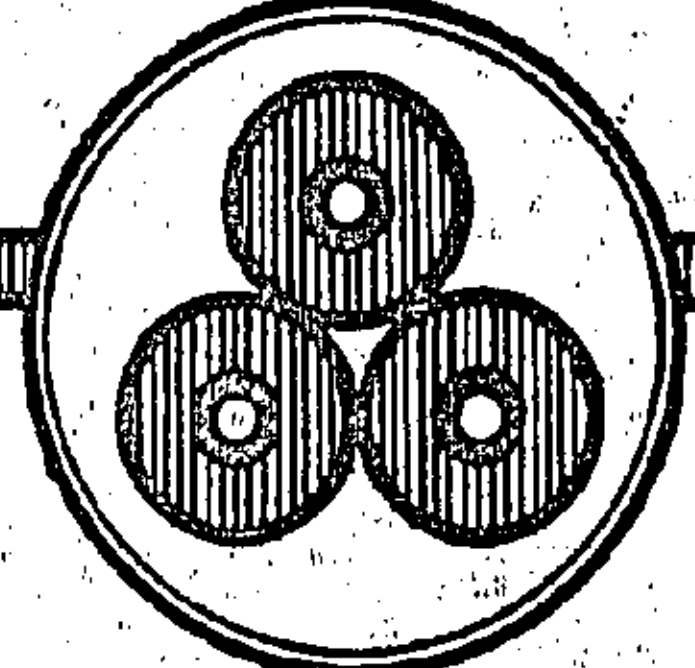
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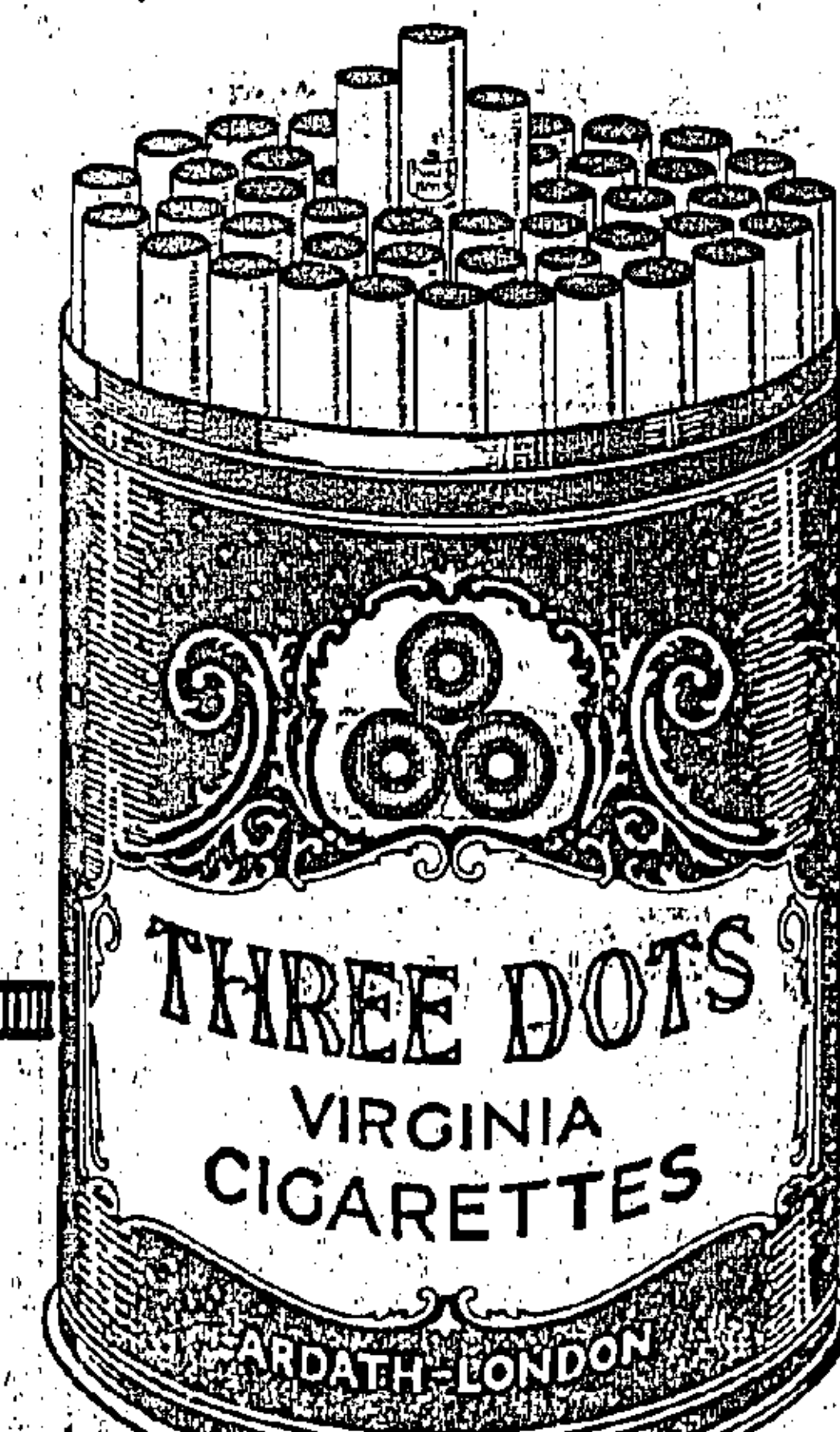




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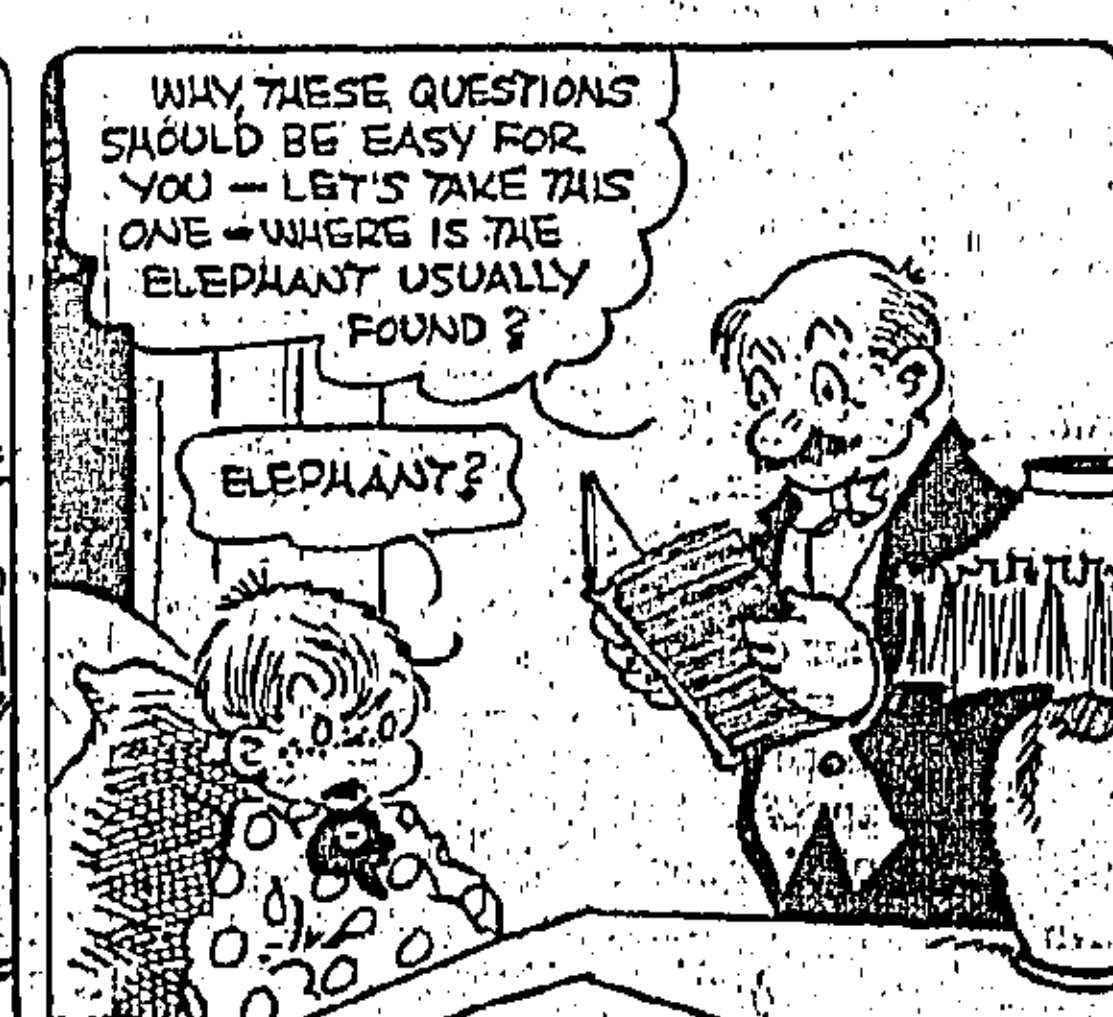
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MARRIAGE.

SCHNEIDER-FRANCO.—At the German Consulate and afterwards at the Chapel of the Convent of the Little Sisters of the Poor, Tungshan, by Monseigneur A. Fourquet, Canton, Bishop of Canton, on Saturday, June the 5th, 1926, C. A. Schneider to Alda Augusta Franco.

The Telegraph

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9, 1926.

THE HOME STRIKE.

Although it is quite true that there is something to hope for in the very fact that negotiations between the owners and the miners are going to be resumed, the statements which have been made by either side still reveal adamant attitudes all against the possibility of a resumption of work. Britain is entering on the sixth week of a coal strike which is having a disastrous effect on the nation's industry and commercial welfare and yet the contending parties have not abandoned their respective standpoints one iota that really matters. The workmen say that they are quite prepared to meet the owners again to talk matters over but they will not depart from their attitude of no wages reductions and no longer hours. One wonders, in face of a stand like that, what earthly use is a meeting at all unless the owners are prepared to agree to the mines re-opening on what they have said are impossible terms. The owners, for their part, state that they cannot pay the same wages as now for the same amount of work as now, and that there must be lowered costs of production pending the application of the recommendations of the Coal Commission and a possible reduction by that means. The Government's proffered subsidy of three millions sterling has lapsed, and, although the Government is doubtless still prepared to help to some extent, the amount of that help is at present an unknown quantity. There are not a few who think that the Government might have done a little more.

As the Lord Provost said at Edinburgh when presenting Mr. Stanley Baldwin with the Freedom of the City, the Prime Minister has brought the country through one of the greatest crises in its history in connection with the late general strike, but we do not hold the Prime Minister and his Government altogether blameless for the present impasse in the coal mining industry. The general strike was bound to collapse because of its obvious injustice and inherent wrong, and Mr. Baldwin is not to be praised so much because of the collapse of the strike but for the manner in which he conducted matters during its run. That he has permitted the present hopeless failure of all the costly winter-time efforts to avoid an open breach in the coal-mining industry is to have committed an error, although in saying so much we do not overlook the fact that the problem is one full of unusual difficulties. Everyone will agree that it is not right that one particular industry should enjoy special treatment and be made a charge upon the rest of the country, but when this thing has been done as an expedient and the nation has paid away millions of pounds it has a right to expect the success of that expedient and not a hopeless breakdown and catastrophic strike. It would have been cheaper and wiser to have faced the trouble last August or to have continued paying until the differences were adjusted. Unless Britain is going to cease to be a coal producing country (an unthinkable proposition) the present differences will have to be adjusted at some time or another and there is much lack of wisdom in all this dalliance.

With the arrival from Home of the newspapers covering the outbreak of the strike, one learns for the first time of the actual monetary difference in wages which the miners would have suffered if they had accepted the owners' proposal based on the Coal Commission's report. In some cases the "cut" amounted to as much as 3s. 1d. per day and the average loss to all classes of mine workers was well over 2s. 6d. per day. On the face of things—high cost of living, etc.—this suggestion was an unfair and impracticable one, but we are inclined to think that the miners are too unbending when they say they will accept no reduction of any kind. There must be compromise on both sides and the only issue ought to be one of proportions. Perhaps one day in the not too distant future some of the leaders will recognise that.

China's Tariff.

According to a statement made in the House of Commons by Mr. Locker Lampson, Britain now stands definitely committed to the granting of tariff autonomy for China on January 1st, 1929. The Treaty in which this concession is to be recorded has not yet been finally drawn up, for the disturbed state of China has made progress by the Tariff Commission extremely difficult. Whilst we are the first to agree in principle to China's demand for the exercise of tariff rights, we must confess our surprise that Britain should be prepared to acknowledge that right without at the same time requiring China to do her part by definitely pledging herself to the abolition of lekin. As the new Article in the proposed Treaty now stands, we are told, the two undertakings are not interdependent. It would, indeed, seem that Britain is willing to make a definite pledge herself, whilst merely expecting some sort of vague promise on the part of China. This is how we read Mr. Locker Lampson's statement that before completing the negotiations, Britain "would undoubtedly expect China at least to initiate measures extending a fair hope for the ultimate abolition of lekin." This lekin question has so long been under debate and consideration that we surely might have hoped for something a little more definite than Mr. Locker Lampson's words quoted above. "A fair hope of ultimate abolition" is decidedly vague and unsatisfactory. If the Powers on their part are willing to concede tariff autonomy to China, nothing could be more reasonable than to expect from the Chinese Government a binding agreement on its part simultaneously to put an end to lekin taxation.

DAY BY DAY.

THE GOOD IS ALWAYS BEAUTIFUL,
THE BEAUTIFUL IS GOOD.—Whittier.

The weather forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—East winds, moderate; overcast, some rain.

The Empress of Asia left Kobe this morning at 5 o'clock and is due at Nagasaki to-morrow at the same hour.

Found dead at Fanling Railway Station, the body of a Chinese road coolie, employed by the P. W. D., has been taken to the Kowloon mortuary.

Mr. A. D. Barretto of Saigon, formerly of Hongkong, drew Lanco Gavo in the Calcutta Derby Sweep. He sold a half share for 12,000 rupees.

Passengers disembarking from the President Jackson from Manila yesterday were:—Mrs. E. R. Montrose, Mrs. Madeline Valentini, wife of the French Consul at Manila, Captain and Mrs. R. B. Lovett and Major L. J. Akern of the United States Army.

On Monday a British case of diphtheria and a Chinese case of small-pox were reported. During last week two Chinese cases of small-pox were notified, a British case of diphtheria and four Chinese cases of enteric. There was one death from small-pox and three from enteric.

In the London Zoological Society's annual report it is stated that:—"The complete replacement of fresh milk by condensed milk has notably reduced tuberculosis." We understand that this condensed milk is supplied by the Nestle & Anglo Swiss Condensed Milk Co.

AT THE THEATRES.

THRILLING PICTURE AT
QUEEN'S.

The current attraction at the Queen's Theatre is "Barbara Frietchie," a film which deals in forceful manner with an incident of the American Civil War. It is an old-world tale, with picturesque settings, and is noteworthy not only for excellent photograph and good acting, but also for some vivid portrayals of fighting between the forces of the North and South. A strong love interest is maintained throughout. The leading characters are taken by Florence Vidor and Edmund Lowe, who are responsible for much of the success of a picture which is worth seeing. The next change at the Queen's will be "The Night Club," starring Wallace Beery and Louise Fazenda, which commences to-morrow, whilst beginning on Sunday "The Lost World," Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's stupendous story, will be shown for four days.

THE STAR THEATRE.

From to-morrow until Saturday, at 5.30 and 9.15, the attraction at the Star Theatre will be "His People." This picture is said to rank with the very best. It shows that fine old artist, Rudolph Schildkraut, in the glorious characterization of David Cominsky. The story is simple. It reveals the Cominskys, David and Rose and their two children, Morris and Sammy. They live in the Ghetto. Morris is the student and the father's favourite. Sammy is the fighter beloved by his mother, who intuitively senses his sterling traits. Sammy nurtures the little family through its weals and woes, finding comfort in the love of Mamie Shannon and her mother. The ending warms to an endearing pitch, fading out with a smile and a tear in the happy re-union of the Cominsky family.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong
Telegraph.]

THE BOYCOTT.

Sir,—At this moment one feels hopeful to know that active efforts are being made to resume negotiations to end the strike and boycott. I hope those who are vested with the great responsibility of effecting a settlement will bear in mind these words of a prominent Northern Chinese:—"The things that divide us are superficial, but the things that unite us are fundamental."—Yours etc.
HONGKONG, June 8th, 1926.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS COUNCIL.

RESULT OF COMMITTEE'S
ENQUIRY.

NEW SCHEME EVOLVED.

London, June 8.

A resume of the conclusions of the Committee which recently met at Geneva to consider the proposed reconstitution of the League Council and which, provisionally, will re-meet on June 28, was given by Viscount Cecil in the House of Lords.

He stated it was agreed there should be nine instead of six non-permanent members to hold office for three years; one-third to retire annually, of which only one might be re-elected if the assembly agreed by a two-thirds majority; otherwise those retiring not to be re-eligible until three years later.

The idea was that there would be rotation of office to enable members sitting on the Council as non-permanents henceforth to assume office immediately elected instead of at the next New Year.

The new scheme would make the Council fourteen, assuming that Germany came in in September, or sixteen if the United States and Russia entered. Admittedly, this was rather a large number, but he saw no reason why it should not work successfully. The Committee thought that three of the non-permanents should represent South American States.—Reuter.

ANOTHER MEETING CONVENED.

Geneva, June 8.

The Session Committee on the composition of the Council has fixed June 23 for the adjourned extraordinary session of the Council, convening it before the meeting of the Assembly in September.

This indicates that no agreement has been reached with Spain and Brazil with regard to the future composition of the Council.—Reuter.

AFTER BASEBALL MATCH.

INDIAN ASSAULT CASE.

At the Central Magistracy this morning, before Major Willson, a summons was brought by A. L. Rumjahn against Omar Ismail for an assault alleged to have been committed after a baseball match at Happy Valley on Saturday. Mr. Gordon Leask appeared for the complainant, whilst Mr. L. D. Turner was for defendant, who brought a cross-summons.

Mr. Leask said he thought the case should not have been brought into Court.

His Worship:—I am going to ask if there is any chance for it to be settled out of Court.

Mr. Leask:—If your Worship will adjourn it, we may have an opportunity.

Mr. Turner:—The only lines on which we would settle would be the withdrawal of the summons issued by Mr. Rumjahn.

Mr. Leask:—I am afraid that if that is my friend's attitude, there can be no question of a settlement.

His Worship:—I will put it back for the moment.

Mr. Turner asked that a date be fixed for hearing, saying he would let his Worship know if a settlement were reached.

Later on, the case was adjourned until this afternoon.

COUNTESS OF CATHCART.

TO BE MARRIED AGAIN
NEXT WEEK.

London, June 8.

The Daily Graphic announces that Vera, Countess of Cathcart, is engaged to Mr. Gideon Bois-sevain, of the well-known Dutch-American banking family. Bois-sevain says he only met her a few weeks ago and that the marriage is being celebrated next week.—Reuter's American Service.

The Very Idea!

The tightest man in London is the fellow who listened to a Sunday sermon and turned off his radio when the collection was taken.

The longest wearing trousers on record are claimed by Bayard Conner, 84, of Coatsville, U.S.A., who has worn the same pair for 58 years. The trousers, still in good condition, were woven by Conner's wife in 1868 and he has worn them regularly since, he says.

What the Bull Will Wear.—Any observing man who has attempted to pat a bull wearing a red necktie, has probably become fully aware, says a columnist, that colour has its place in the field of action and reaction.—Editorial Note in a California paper.

He saw the boarder kiss his wife. You'd think that he'd have scored her. But, shucks, he never said a word. He used to be a boarder.

First Globe Trotter—"I just passed by the ex-kaiser's home and heard him singing."

Second Globe Trotter—"What was he singing?" First Globe Trotter—"Ain't gonna reign no mo'."

It seems that a man in Chicago trumped his wife's ace during an important bridge game. It was more than the good woman could bear. She took him to task so bitterly for his bonehead play that he slapped her face and pushed her violently against the table. Now she is suing for divorce, complaining that he is addicted to several other cruelties, such as twisting her wrists. Somehow or other one's sympathy goes out to this lady. It is bad enough to be beaten up, but as for having your partner trump your ace—well, did you ever play bridge?

One of the new steel giants rising in the Times Square belt in New York will contain famous stones from all parts of the world.

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The building is to be the new Paramount Theatre.

Even Mrs. De Trop has blue blood in her veins. Adam—"Has she taken anything for it?"

The town clock of West Chester, U. S. A., every day at noon, casts a baseball from the top of the tower and the person who finds it receives 10 cents from the merchant whose name it carries. A reservoir carries enough balls for three weeks.

She: "But you told me you cannot meet your creditors." He: "Oh, bal Jove, that's an awful fib. Why, I meet 'em wherever I go, really!"

One of the quickest ways to study astronomy is taking up boxing.

HIGH HONOUR.

LORD WILLINGDON FOR CANADA.

MADE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

London, June 8.
It is officially announced that Viscount Willingdon has been appointed Governor General of Canada.—*Reuter*.

A VARIED CAREER.

The new Governor-General of Canada, Viscount Willingdon, G.C.I.E., G.C.S.I., is at present in China as the head of the British Boxer Indemnity Commission. He recently passed through Hongkong en route for Manila, where he spent a brief holiday with Lady Willingdon. After being Governor of Bombay from 1913 to 1919, Lord Willingdon was appointed to the Governorship of Madras, which post he held until 1924. Aged 59, he is a grandson of the first Viscount Hampden, famous as "Mr. Speaker Hampden." As Mr. Freeman Thomas, he married a daughter of the late Earl of Brassey. He represented Hastings and later Bodmin as a Liberal in the House of Commons. In his day, he has been a fine cricketer. He was A. D. C. to Lord Brassey when the latter was Governor of Victoria and was raised to the Peerage in 1910, received the G. C. S. I. decoration in 1924 and was at the same time raised to a Viscountcy. Lady



Willingdon received the Kaiser-I-Hind gold medal in 1915 for her special work in the war and the decoration of the Crown of India in 1917, being later made a G. B. E. A son fell during the war.

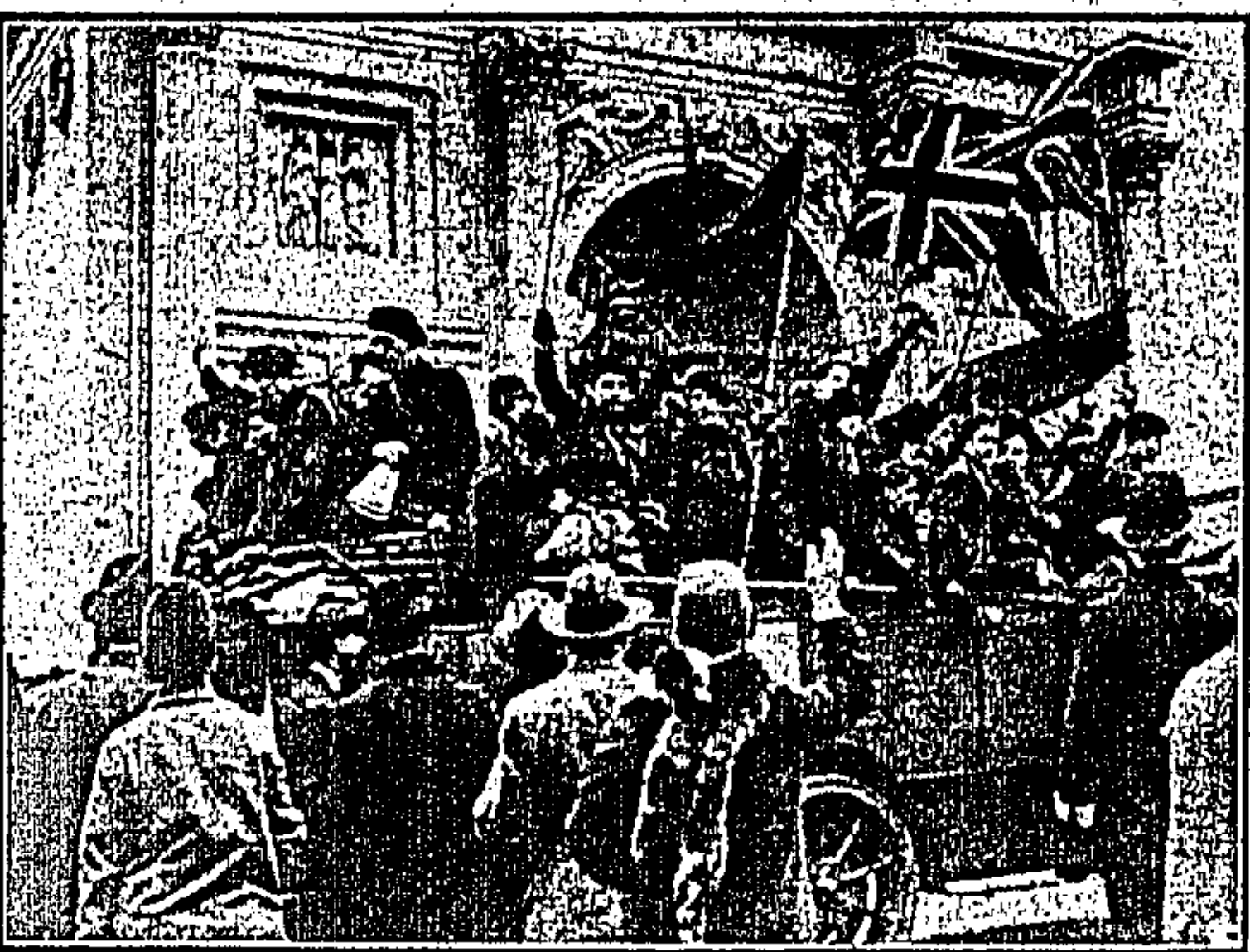
A BROADMINDED MAN.

A Home writer, in the course of an appreciation of the new Governor-General, recently stated: Lord Willingdon is a very active keen man who likes to get busy on something or other. He is also very broadminded, of sound knowledge and charming manners. Of his broadmindedness his Indian record is proof. It will be recollected that at the last Church Conference at Eastbourne he made a very strong plea for complete racial equality. He has since published his remarks in pamphlet form from which one notes the approving stress he laid on "the gospel of self-determination" "the intense desire for nationhood" "the necessity of treating all coloured men in a spirit of absolute equality" "the need for giving equality of opportunity to those who are coloured" and the realization that "the white man must no longer dominate the coloured men, even for their own good." Lord Willingdon has since stated he had only India in his mind when he made these remarks though of course they apply to all coloured races.

CHARMING MANNER.

His knowledge of the world is very considerable; may be more than his booklearning. He was at Eton and Cambridge, but his chief claim to fame is the captaincy of both cricket elevens. Of his charming manners I can speak from personal knowledge; the world has polished him since I knew him as Freeman Thomas in the House. He used to represent Hastings in Parliament and when he was turned out his wife, who was a keen politician than he, got him to stand at Bodmin where she informed the electors that "she had felt compelled to allude to Horrid Hastings, but hoped she would not have to refer to Beasty Bodmin." Her husband got in for four years. On the edge of 60 he is a very live wire. And in attire he is still Bond Street in ecclesiastical.

MORE STRIKE PICTURES.



Above is shown a scene outside the Memorial Hall, Farringdon Street, London, when the Trade Union delegates met to consider the calling of a general strike. Below: members of the British Fascisti taking part in a big procession from the Embankment to Hyde Park.

MR. SINCLAIR'S PLAYS.

BIG SUCCESSES IN CANADA.

We have been favoured with the sight of some remarkably fine pictures taken of recent productions at Hart House Theatre, Toronto, for the presentation of which Mr. Walter Sinclair, the Director of this Theatre, and formerly of Hongkong, was responsible. These all reveal high artistic merit, in characteristic Sinclairian manner, the settings and groups of John Masefield's passion play, "Good Friday," and of "Turandot" being especially fine.

A dramatic critic, writing of the production of "Good Friday," says that Mr. Sinclair amplified the atmosphere of the text in a remarkably beautiful way, whilst another writer states that this performance reached a level of impressiveness seldom attained on any stage.

Other tributes are equally glowing, and Mr. Sinclair's many friends in Hongkong will hear with much satisfaction of the high measure of success which he is attaining.

The Drama for January gives a portrait of Mr. Sinclair, and says "not only Mr. Sinclair's rare artistic talents, but his genial personality and his ability to inspire loyalty and co-operation amongst his assistants signally qualify him for his present position."

RECENT OPIUM HAUL.

INDO-CHINA S. N. COMPANY SUMMONED.

Recently, whilst the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's s.s. Suisang was lying off Stonecutters, Revenue Officer Ward and a party went aboard and discovered in the donkey-engine boiler house 7,020 tins of opium, each in one-tael tins, the value of the haul being \$60,160. There was a sequel to the seizure this morning, when the Company was summoned for permitting the steamer to be used for the transportation of opium.

Mr. S. C. E. Brooks, who appeared for the Company, asked for a remand, stating that at present the vessel was on her way to Rangoon and would not be back for about three weeks. He would inform his Worship when the steamer got back, and in the meantime he would have received his instructions as to the nature of the case. The case was adjourned sine die.

A serious accident happened to a south bound train near Chengchow recently. While the train was passing over a bridge part of the structure collapsed precipitating several of the coaches into the river. About 40 casualties are reported.

AMBULANCE WORK.

KOWLOON FIREMEN AWARDED CERTIFICATES.

A wish expressed by His Excellency the Governor, that all members of the Police and Fire Brigade should, irrespective of nationality, join the St. John Ambulance Brigade, was conveyed to Kowloon Brigade firemen this morning by the C. S. P. the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, who presented first-aid certificates.

Mr. Wolfe said when His Excellency was in Ceylon, from which place he had recently come, practically every member of the Police and Fire Brigade was fully qualified in first-aid. The whole point was not merely to get certificates, but to make sure that by going through small courses each year they kept up the work they learned. The idea of joining the Brigade, therefore, was to keep their knowledge absolutely fresh. He expressed thanks to Mr. T. K. Chat, and members of his section for the training work they had done; also Dr. B. C. Wong, surgeon-instructor, and Mr. E. Ralphs, Assistant Commissioner.

Twenty-five men received certificates, twenty-four of which were first-year awards and the other a second-year certificate.

In addition to Mr. Wolfe, those present included Mr. E. Ralphs, Mr. T. K. Chat, Chief Officer T. Brookes, and Mr. S. G. Saunders, officer in charge of the Kowloon Station.

SALT TAX.

LONDON PAPER'S STRONG COMMENT.

London, June 8.
The Daily Telegraph in an editorial describes the confiscation of the revenue of the salt tax at Tientsin on June 4 as an undignified breach of the agreement of 1913 and the gravest by far of many similar acts in defiance of the agreement which have occurred in recent years. If such high-handed action is possible at a Treaty Port there is no assurance that even a fraction of the revenues are safe for the purposes provided for in the 1913 agreement. The paper asks whether the British and other Governments concerned are still of the opinion that their position as regards the Tariff Conference should not be modified and whether the case does not demand vigorous measures.—*Reuter*.

The King of Italy has conferred a medal on Signor Mussolini's daughter Edda, for rescuing a drowning bather in a heavy sea.

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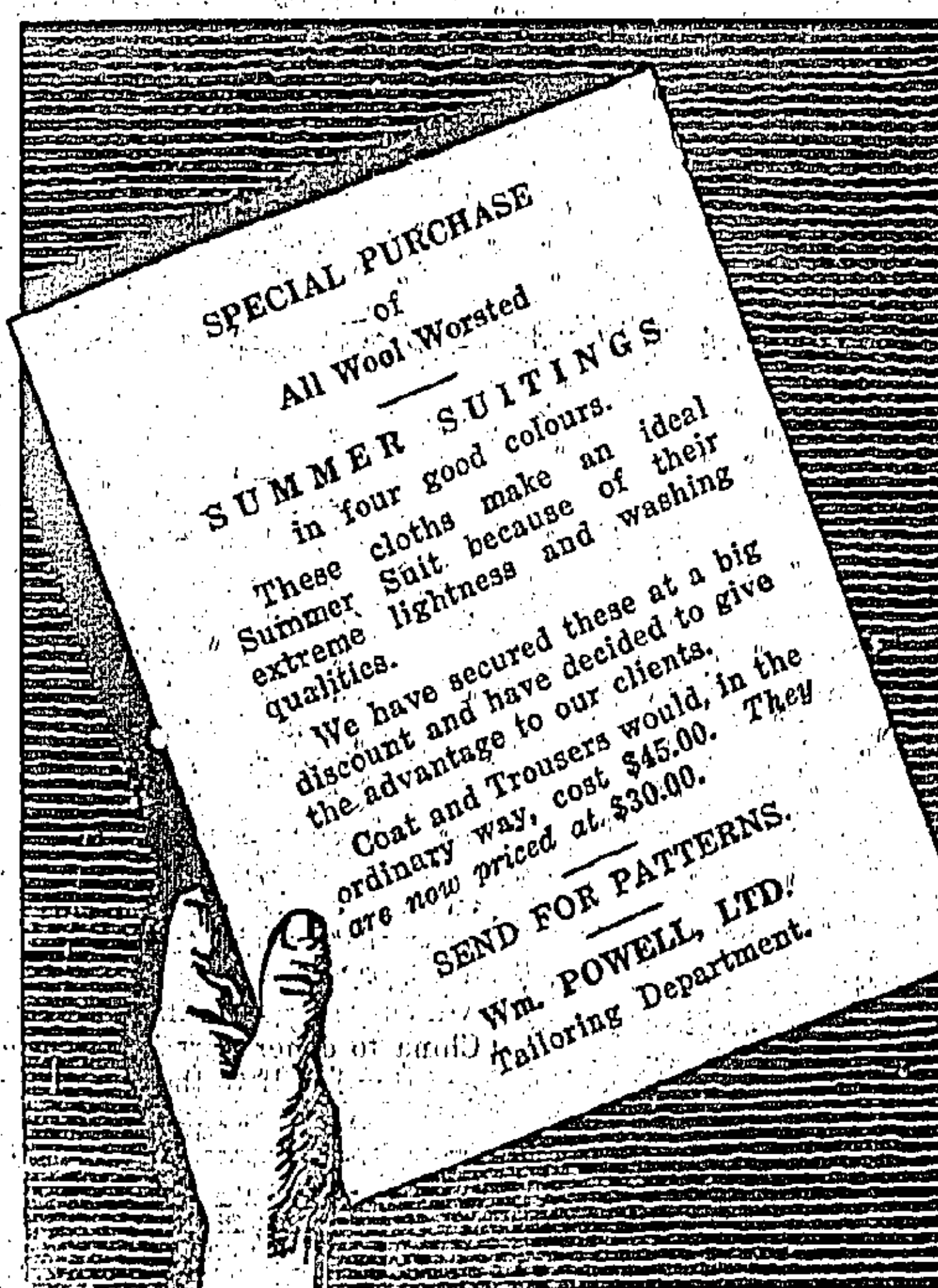
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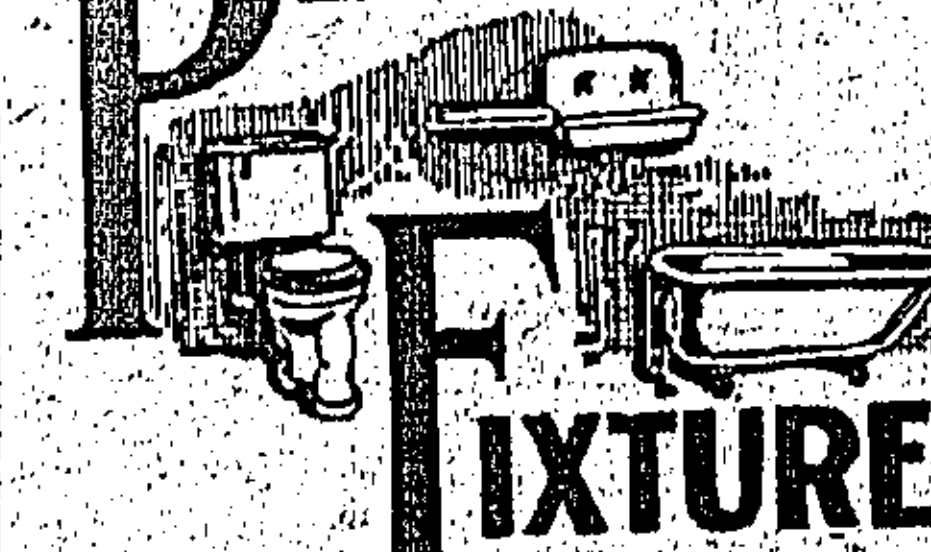
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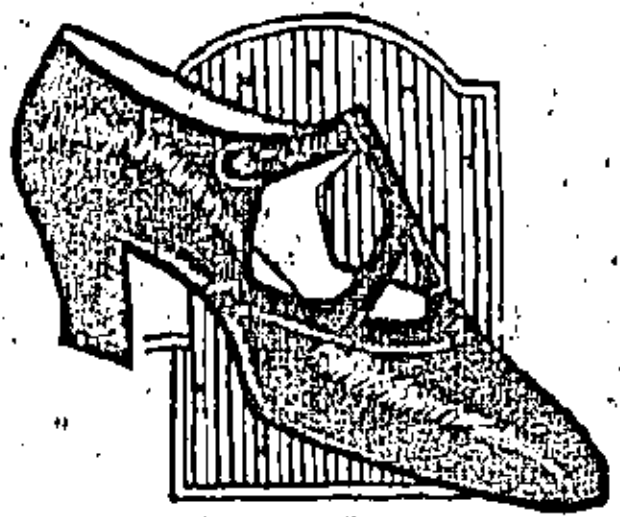
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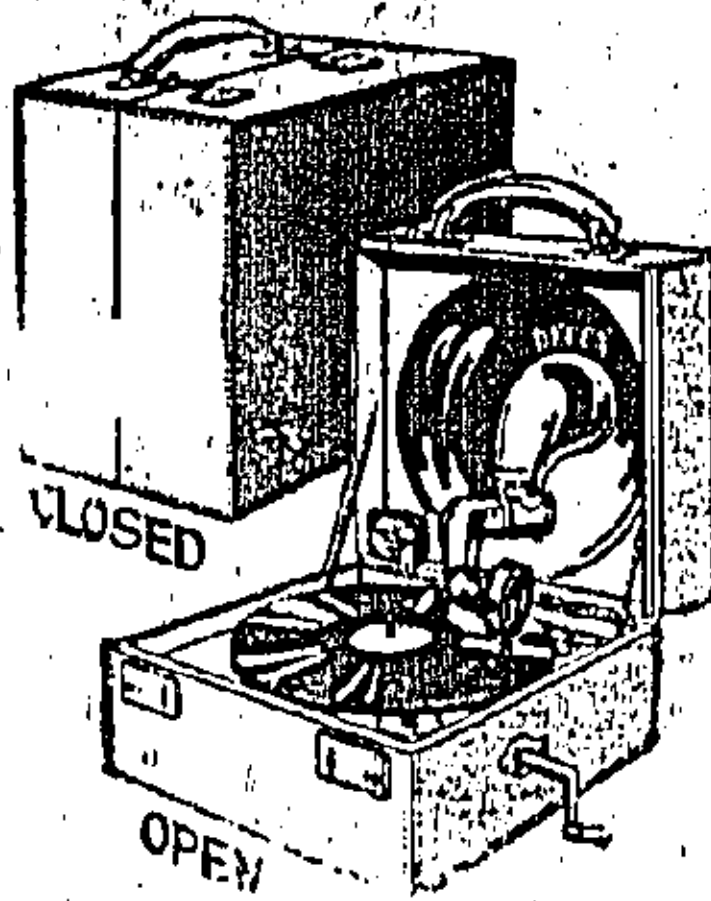
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CHINA'S REVENUES.

A BIG DEFICIT IN
PAYMENTS.

Peking, June 8.
The Salt Administration has paid
that part of the annual Hukuang
loan service which it contributes,
amounting to taels, 950,000, to the
banks charged with the service of
the loan. This, however, leaves a
deficit, for which the Chinese Govern-
ment is responsible, and it is
impossible to say how individual
bondholders are likely to be affect-
ed.

Three Foreign Consuls inter-
viewed Chu Yu-pu on Saturday re-
garding the Changlu salt. Chu
asserted that he was not interfer-
ing with the salt collections, but
his bureau is known to have col-
lected \$45,000 of salt revenue, and
to have remitted large quantities of
salt from the depots, while the Salt
Administration is not collecting
any revenues.—*Reuter.*

SUBMARINE'S LONG TRIP.

ON SIX MONTHS CRUISE
TO EAST INDIES.

Horta, Azores, June 8.
The Dutch submarine K13 has
arrived. She attained a top speed
of 18 knots and is considered to
have behaved well, proving that
the new design is satisfactory.—*Reuter.*

The K13 left Amsterdam on
May 13 on a six months cruise to
the Dutch East Indies. This is be-
lieved to be the longest trip ever
undertaken by an unescorted
submarine, and it is expected to
arrive at Sourabaya on December
12. It will go via the Azores, Las
Palmas, Curacao, the Panama
Canal, San Francisco, Honolulu,
Guam, Yap and Manila and take
oceanographical observations en
route.

IMMUNITY OF FOREIGN VESSELS.

AMERICAN ADMIRALTY LAW
DOES NOT REACH THEM.

Washington, June 8.
The Supreme Court of the
United States has declared im-
mune from the provisions of the
American admiralty law the mer-
chant ships owned by foreign
Governments, employed in the
carriage of merchandise. The
ruling is a victory for Italy whose
Ambassador claimed immunity for
the steamer Pesaro which was
involved in a suit for damages in
Santiago de Chile.—*Reuter.*

THE FOREIGN LEGION.

INTERCESSION FOR A
DESERTER.

Paris, June 8.
The case of Doty, alias Gilbert
Clare, is particularly serious, ac-
cording to the *Matin*, which says Doty
is charged with inducing a number
of his comrades to desert with him
in the course of operations against
the Druses.
The French commander had to
send an aeroplane to ascertain his
whereabouts, and finally Doty put
up a regular battle against his pur-
suers.—*Reuter.*

FINANCIAL TROUBLES.

A SUICIDE POSSIBILITY.

Mexico City, June 8.
A brother of Claude Knight has
informed the police that he is of
opinion Claude has committed sui-
cide owing to financial troubles, en-
deavouring to conceal his identity by
going to Guadalupe and signing a
request for rapid burial in the name
of Claude Jones, which was found
on the body.—*Reuter's American*
Service.

THE LATE MR. J. M. PHILIPS.

DECLARED TO HAVE BEEN
KILLED BY PIRATES.

Peking, June 8.
The Asiatic Petroleum Com-
pany's Nanning office reports that
pirates killed Mr. Philips. The
body has been recovered and is
being brought to Nanning for
burial.—*Reuter.*

HOUSE OF COMMONS MANNERS.

SOME "SCENES" OF THE PAST.

There has recently been some
discussion in Parliamentary
circles as to whether manners in
the House of Commons have
deteriorated or improved with the
coming in of members of what is
called a lower social rank as the
franchise has been gradually
broadened. Naturally, opinion
differs on this, as on all questions;
but it is significant that the older
and more experienced a Member
is, the more he is disposed to
think that the general decorum
and orderliness of the House is as
high as ever. Mr. Gladstone, a
witness of unparallelled authority on
the point, declared, towards the
end of his long career, that the
classes of members introduced as a
result of the successive widen-
ings of the popular basis of the
House bore no disadvantageous
comparison, in respect of submis-
sion to the Chair and observance
of the order and courtesies of
debate, with the class who, up to
the Reform Act of 1832, had
almost a monopoly of the repre-
sentation. This view is fully
borne out by a study of Parlia-
mentary annals. Before 1832
there were "scenes" of a kind it
is impossible to imagine recently.

A Comic Song Wanted.

One night, a young country
member, of wealth and social
standing, Sir George Rose, coming
into the House with other young
bucks after dinner at their club,
called upon the Speaker for a
comic song. As soon as the scan-
dalised Speaker could collect his
scattered senses he ordered the
Sergeant-at-Arms to take the
honourable gentleman into cus-
tody. Even at the Bar, where
he stood with the Sergeant-in-
Arms carrying the Mace, Rose was
still in a hilarious mood. When
asked to apologise, he burst out
in loud and scornful laughter,
exclaiming, "Beg pardon, is it?
I vow I'll beg no man's pardon;
not even King George's, and cer-
tainly not that little chap's up
there with the big wig." Rose
was thereupon committed to the
lock-up of the House of Com-
mons, but at the Bar next day,
sober and penitent, he begged the
Speaker's pardon, and, having
been solemnly reprimanded, was
discharged on payment of the
Sergeant-at-Arms's fees.

Palmerston, writing to his
sister, Fanny, on February 27,
1810, says:—

"We had on a recent night a most
extraordinary display of folly,
crassness, and vulgarity from
Fuller, who, because Sir John
Anstruther, Chairman of Commit-
tees, would not take notice of him
when he rose to speak several
times, flew into such a passion,
and swore and abused the Chair-
man to such a degree that it be-
came necessary for the Speaker
(who was sent for) to commit him
to custody. As he went out he
shook his fist at the Speaker, and
said he was a damned insolent little
fellow, snapped his fingers at him,
and roared he did not care that
for him or for the House either.
He is now amusing himself with
the Sergeant-at-Arms, and I think
he was very lucky, in not being
sent to Newgate or the Tower."

A Scene of '72.

Such things do not happen in
the House of Commons now—
things due to individual members,
intemperate, passionate, impatient
of control, or else desirous of the
notoriety so easily obtained on the
stage of the House of Commons,
flooded as it is with limelight.
The individual has become sub-
merged in the Party. Scenes in
the House of Commons to-day
are usually due to the deliberate
and common action of a Party, or
a section of it, who have decided
that their purpose would best be
served by a demonstration in
force. Even in this respect the
present compares favourably with
the past. A visitor to the House
in the nineteenth century, during
a Party storm, might very well
doubt whether he had not strayed
instead into a menagerie or Zoo,
or even into a lunatic asylum.

Here is a description of the
noises evoked by Auberon Her-
bert's celebrated Republic speech
on the Civil List in March, 1872:—

"From the less prominent parts
of the House to which the Conser-
vative members had retired an in-
cessant clamour arose. Cock-

FAMILY ALLOWANCES.

HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS IN
FRANCE.

One of the most unexpected re-
commendations of the Coal Com-
mission was that the Commis-
sioners regarded the introduction
of a system of children's allow-
ances, irrespective of the level of
wages, as "one of the most valu-
able measures that could be adopt-
ed for adding to the well-being
and contentment of the mining
population." It will be remem-
bered that evidence was submitted
to the Commission by Miss
Eleanor Rathbone showing that
family allowances were practi-
cally universal throughout the
mining industry of those countries
which compete most actively with
Britain.

It is, however, still not gener-
ally realised that France is the
pioneer of the system of putting
family allowances into force on an
established scale. In France the
family has always been recognised
as the unit of the nation, and for
over thirty years past experiments
have been made in order that
fathers may be able to bring up
their families on an income that
increases in proportion to the
number of children. The system
started at the end of the last cen-
tury on certain of the French rail-
ways, notably the Nord, the
Orleans, and the P.L.M., who gave
small bonuses for dependents. In
1900 the system spread to the
coalfields.

At the present time the State
have applied the principle, not
only in the fighting services, but
for married members of its
manual and clerical staff. The
officials of local government
authorities are also paid on the
system that they should receive a
weekly income that varies accord-
ing to their need, rather than
according to their output. Private
industry adopted the principle
during the war so decisively that
family allowances have now be-
come part of wages awards. It is
of special note that since Decem-
ber, 1922, all employers tendering
for State contracts are required
either to be members contributing
to a family allowance fund or
else paying allowances direct.

Complete official figures as to
the number receiving allowances
are not available. The figures
announced at a congress last year
are, however, of significance, for
it was then stated that there were
in France no less than 3½ million
employees who receive each year
1,017 million francs as family
allowances. The system has
spread to professional men, and
there are funds in existence for
solicitors' clerks and similar per-
sons. Funds have also been
established for agricultural
workers.

The rates for State workers as
voted last year were 45, 60, 90
francs a month respectively for
one to three children. For the
fourth and succeeding children
105 francs were payable monthly.
Under the Lille Family Allowance
Fund, 50 francs are given for two
children, 180 for four, and 390
francs for eight. A rubber com-
pany pays 75 francs for each of
the first two children, and as much
as 1,020 francs a month for
twelve, if they are under sixteen
years of age. The average
amounts of payments paid to
underground workers with
families were one franc a day for
one child, and two for the third
and each succeeding child, but
these allowances have since been
increased to meet the fall in the
franc.

There are several reasons that
have led to this system becoming
established in French industries.
One cause, no doubt, is the wish
to encourage the birth-rate and to
increase the welfare of young
children. Employers, however,
have found that contented married
men are more regular at their
work, and pay more attention to
output than those who have no
ties; and that it is a wise provision
to pay this addition, which helps
production and encourages a satis-
fied staff.

crowling in every variety, from the
hoarse cry of the cockin to the
shrill note of the bantam and
other farmyard sounds, together
with the repeated imitations of
the rise and fall of Mr. Herbert's
voice, prevented a single sentence
of the speech from reaching the
ears of those who were assumed
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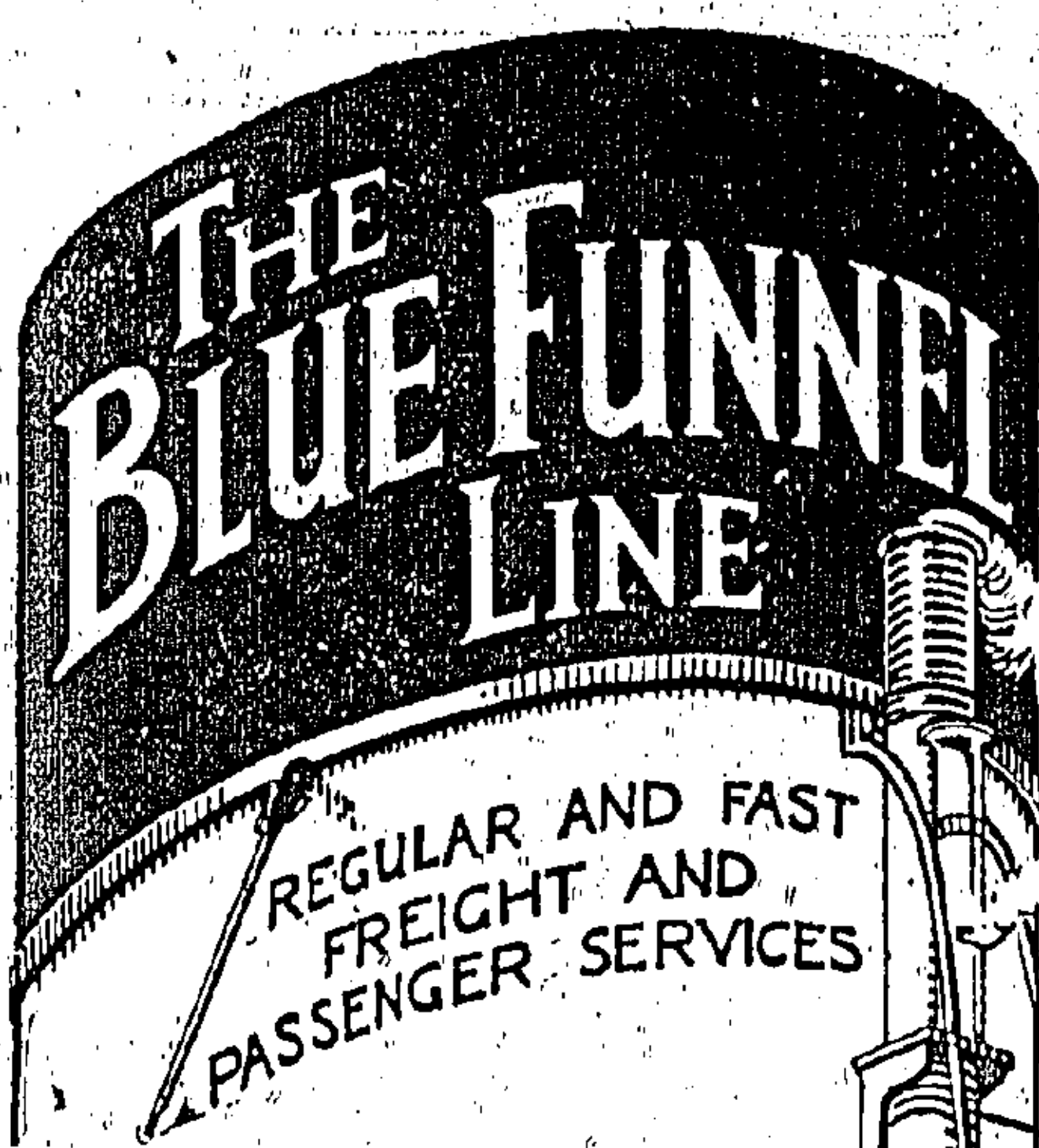
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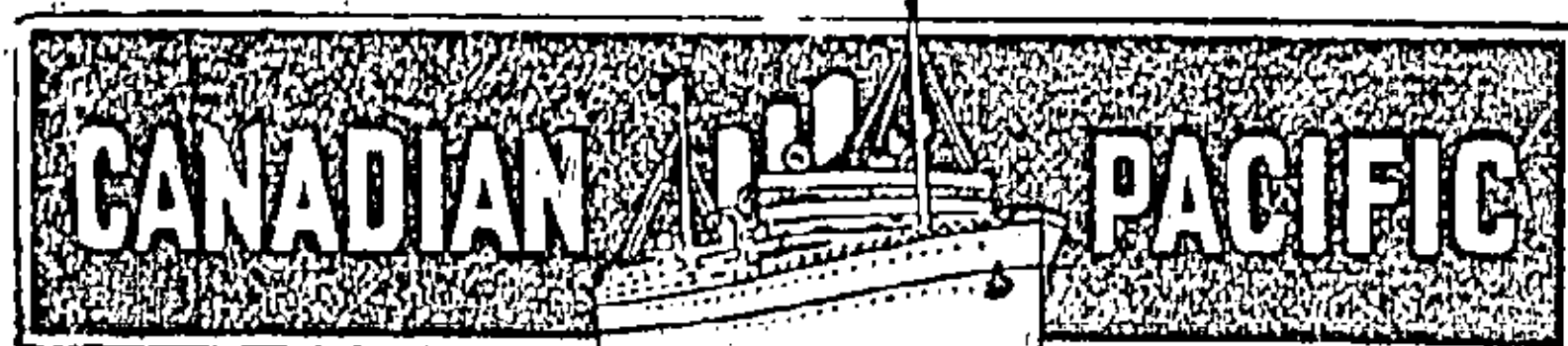
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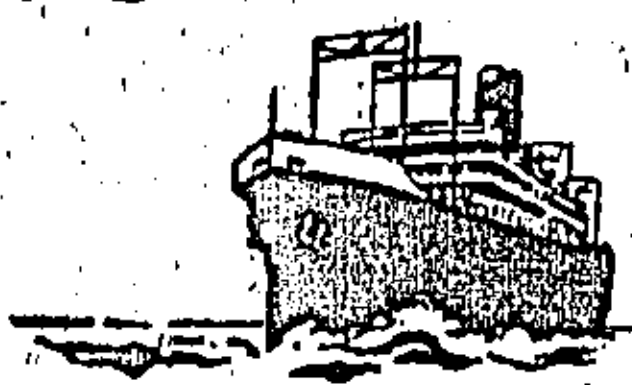
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THE CHARLESTON.

ARGUMENTS FOR AND AGAINST.

News comes from Biarritz, says an *Observer* correspondent, that the Prince of Wales has been dancing the Charleston in the Chateau Basque. Also that instead of his usual exercise in the gymnasium of the Hotel Helianthe he has on several days preferred to take some energetic Charleston practice. Instead. Some people may be shocked by this news; for just now they are also hearing of bang imposed on the Charleston in some of the big London dance-restaurants and dance halls, and reading in newspapers sensational stories of the strange perils of the Charleston to those who overdo it. One daily paper goes so far as to headline the Charleston as the "Dance of Death." But it is perhaps only fair to the Charleston to say that that new story comes from the United States.

A great deal of nonsense is always talked about dances old and new. The one-step, in its original form known as the Turkey-trot, was hotly assailed by moralists and dancing masters alike. The waltz, an adaptation of a charming peasant dance of Southern Germany, was characterised as grossly indecorous. It made its way against a storm of opposition, and despite the imperative bans of indignant mothers and scandalised clergy. The original fox-trot, born in the first strains of syncopated music, was for a long time believed by many to be a disgusting and degrading affair, one of the singular, and not the least ominous, symptoms of national ill-health consequent on the strain and fever of the world-war. Even now there are good country folk who feel a distinct disquiet when they perceive that "this jazz dancing" now monopolises most of the programme at a State ball at Court.

THE "SQUIGGLE"

What is the truth about the latest dance, the Charleston? The truth is that, discounting the inevitable nonsense talked about it, it can be very bad or very good; it can be in rank bad-taste or it can be as neat and pleasing as the tango; it is no more indecent, done quietly, than any other dance we do to-day, and it is no more indecent, done exaggeratedly, than a display of sand or clog dancing, or an exhibition of acrobatics. There is no question, however, but that it has got into a considerable amount of hot water. But that is not because it is wicked; it is because it is a nuisance. Or perhaps I should say that it can be a nuisance. It has, normally, three movements: a Charleston walk, taken forward or backward in a straight line; a side step, done with a rocking motion, first right, then left, on one spot on the floor; and a progressing step, consisting of one step forward and one to the side, one forward and one to the side. There is also a fourth movement, involving a forward

step and a backward one, repeated ad lib., which has been borrowed from a fox-trot variation and given a Charleston time and characteristic Charleston foot "squiggle."

It is this "squiggle" of the foot, done from the knee and hip, with the toes switched rapidly in and out, carrying the body, which must be kept still from the waist up, with a rocking movement slightly from side to side, balancing, which opens the Charleston to the charge of rank bad taste. It can so easily look like the too-slick, too-deft, too-ostentatious dancing of a "jazz boy," with his too-pointed patent shoes, his too-winked coat, and his super-Oxford "bogs," in a dashy third-rate dance hall. And it is the non-progression of so much of the Charleston dance—it can be made as progressive as the fox-trot—and the tendency of bad practitioners to kick their heels up and hit some one near, which comprise the objection some of the managements of dance places have to it.

A CASE FOR MODERATION.

It can, however, be a very quiet and charming dance. But that presupposes perfection, and perfection in the Charleston is hard to attain. Moreover, it is essentially, in its suggestion, its beat and rhythm, in its characteristic music, an unrestrained, a let's-all-go mad dance, and it will be some time before its enthusiasts calm down and dance it with restraint. Done as Mr. Frank Ford and Miss Dorothy Cole, the waltz champions, did it in a special exhibition demonstration at a fashionable dance-restaurant the other day, it can be danced with perfect ease and safety in a crush, and carried on all night without getting tired. But weeks of practice precede that quiet, unstraining skill—one practises holding on to the back of a chair. Let go, and dance it with the fullest exaggeration, knees working overtime, heels flicking up, and you may quite conceivably damage yourself—strain muscles and tendons unused to the sudden strains and twists—as well as somebody else. But do it reasonably, and it is a welcome addition to the dance programme; it is also one of the finest exercises imaginable for exercising the body from toe to hip, and inducing suppleness.

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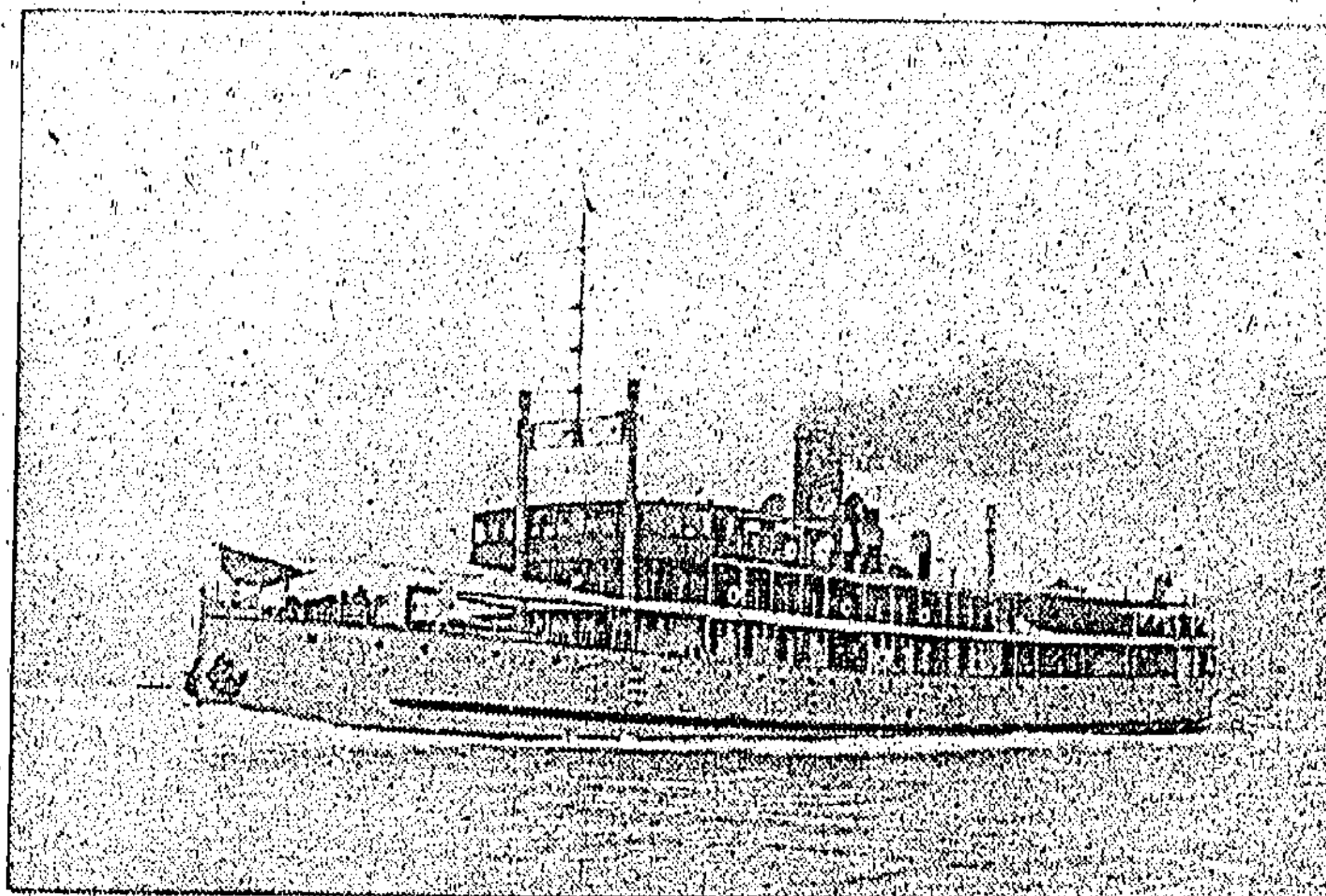
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On his travels up the coast of China from Canton and interior along the Yangtze as far as Changsha in Hunan, Dr. Gray spoke most enthusiastically when interviewed. He found throughout the principal cities visited work going on consistently along the lines of civic improvement, he said, and this work in most cases had a direct bearing upon the development of public health in the country. It is an intangible movement which cannot be attributed to any single factor. Dr. Gray declared but rather to the crystallizing of public opinion as to what must be done in civic improvement.

Water for Amoy.

Beginning at Canton, visited in March, he pointed out that in spite of the turmoil existing as viewed from numerous angles, the Government has had time and energy enough to promote and carry through successfully a vaccination campaign in which 85,000 persons were vaccinated. At Swatow, where a stiff boycott presupposes the ascendancy of the Red star, the principal road in the place, Kailat Road, had just been broadened to 80 feet as a sign of civic improvement; Amoy, which has the reputation and lives up to it, of being the dirtiest spot in the world, is installing a \$1,000,000 plant for a modern filtered water supply, the enterprise being entirely sponsored by Chinese. In this connection Dr. Gray explained that Amoy has become the home of a number of South Sea retired millionaire merchants who are backing the undertaking. The Municipality has given the franchise, and is asking in return merely that sufficient water for extinguishing fires and use of the fire brigade be included in the scheme when completed.

At Foochow, where some of the most radical of student activities are to be found, namely the organization known as the "Blood and Iron" a systematic health campaign has just been sponsored by the students, under the co-operation of the local Y.M.C.A. and the Public Health Council.

In Changsha some ten miles of roadways have been broadened and merchants whose property is thereby encroached upon are willing to sustain the loss, so general is the awakened sense of civic development.

The New Movements.

Dr. Gray listed the new movements as follows: 1st, lighted cities have become generally accepted; 2nd, broadening of streets goes on rapidly; 3rd, water modern supply systems are being asked for along with proper disposal of sewage and street cleaning; and 4th, health education along the fundamental lines of disease prevention is widespread.

Of special interest is the work which Dr. Gray noted among athletic groups in the various provinces. His visit to Canton was made primarily on behalf of the Athletic Association which planned to hold a spring meet there, but which project was given up when word was received that athletes from the north could not compete. This meet has been postponed, therefore, until next spring. In his talks before athletic organizations, etc., Dr. Gray stressed the idea of sportsmanship as the basis for Democracy, an idea which appeals to Chinese students in particular. The chief hindrance to the athletic work which he presented was encountered in Huangpu at the No. 2 Buoy of the Kuomintang from being especially active has now gone out of power with the ousting of General Chao Heng-ti and where a new party is enforcing strict regulations regarding student activities. Even athletic gatherings of students are prohibited.

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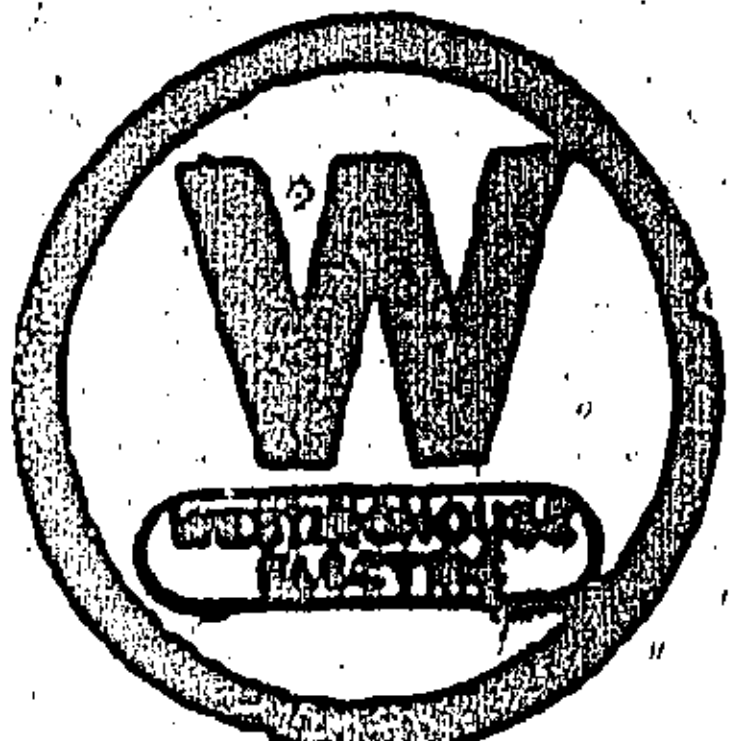
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His Worship:—It is extremely strange that the card had disappeared.

Mr. Brooks proposed to call evidence to support his allegation.

Against this course Mr. Leask objected as being irregular. The prosecution had closed its case and he (Mr. Leask) was raising this question of the card because it arose from the point as to whether the defendants had guilty knowledge of the rights of the film.

Mr. Brooks said that the evidence of Sergeant Kennedy was in respect of a card. Whether it was the proper card Mr. Brooks submitted that they still had to discover.

Discussion then arose as to the possible whereabouts of the official record of the censorship, and eventually Mr. Brooks submitted that it was up to the defendants to produce it if they really had it.

ADMIRER OF CHARLIE.

Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Brooks went on to say, was a great admirer of Charlie Chaplin films and he certainly would have recollected if he had passed "The Kid." He was pretty positive that he hadn't.

Mr. Leask questioned the extent to which a man's memory could be trusted as evidence.

Mr. Brooks in pursuance of his point of guilty knowledge, referred to the previous attempt to show "The Kid" at the Y.M.C.A. and to the withdrawal of the film under the very same circumstances as were present in this case.

Mr. Leask replied that since then, as had been the case with many other mushroom companies, the How Woo Trading company had changed hands, and they were different people who were in charge then.

Mr. Leask:—Since they could not produce the card to support their evidence, they suggest my card was not genuine.

His Worship intimated that if the card was produced to show that the film had gone through the censor's hands, he would drop the case without further ado.

Mr. Brooks:—My friend has it. He can produce it.

His Worship:—There was no suggestion in the evidence that it was handed back. You cannot ask the defendants to produce it.

At this stage the Court thought that perhaps the card may still be found amongst the official records, and his Worship adjourned the case.

An amah living at No. 67, Woneichong Road was admitted into the Government Civil Hospital suffering from the effects of opium poisoning. It is stated that she attempted to take her life soon after she had returned from giving evidence at the Central Magistracy against a man whom she accused of having committed an indecent assault and who was, as a result, sentenced to four months' hard labour.

"AN UNIQUE."

"CACOPHANOUS GRAMMATICAL ERROR."

Sir,—In a description of the week's arrangements made for the observance of the centenary of Holy Trinity, Brighton, contained in this week's *Observer*, writes B. J. Wilden Hart there occurs the phrase, "An unique service will take place." This cacophonous grammatical error is also to be found on the back page of your esteemed and valued organ, Sunday by Sunday, in advertisements set forth by those supposed masters of descriptive phrase—the estate agents. The rule surely is that when the initial vowel "u" has the long sound of "you" the preceding article should be "a," and not "an." For instance, we "present a untidy front," but "punish an untidy boy." We give our son "a University education," unless, perchance, he possesses "a unilateral brain." We say that there is "a unique building plot for sale," and also "a unity of purpose, but 'an unequal task' and 'an uninteresting book' because in the first two examples the "u" is long, whilst in the two latter it is short.

If, Sir, you could find room for these remarks, perhaps even the estate agents will reject "a usage" which is such a misuse of the language; not in "a unit of time" indeed, but gradually. "A useful aid" to this will be the strict maintenance by "a Utopian" editor of "a uniform standard" of grammatical rectitude.

The Editor of the *Observer* commented "We regret the misprint to which our correspondent calls attention."

BRITISH GRAVES IN ITALY.**CEREMONY AT VENICE.**

Lord Cavan unveiled a monument recently to the memory of the British soldiers who fell fighting on the Italian front. Sir Ronald Graham, British Ambassador at Rome, and Count Volpi, Chancellor of the Exchequer, were present at the ceremony, together with many English officers who served under Lord Cavan.

There are nearly 8,500 British soldiers buried in Italy, and their graves are well cared for in 102 cemeteries, some even so far away as Gradisca; these are mostly of the men of the heavy batteries, who were the first English troops to join the Italians in the spring of 1917. There are two English graves at Montebello Maggiore, where the ruined castles of Montagna and Capulets crown the hill in sight of Montebello, Portia's Belmont. The largest cemeteries are at Montebello Prealpine, near Vicenza, and at Tezze and Glavara, on the Piave, while there are many scattered graveyards on the mountains of Asiago.

The memorial unveiled consists of bronze doors for the English church, designed by Mr. Humphreys Johnstone, who adapted a Byzantine Diptych very successfully for the design. The doors have been cast from British guns by courtesy of the Admiralty and the Venice Arsenal.

Great disappointment was felt that no opportunity was given for the speeches prepared, and many have expressed a wish to read the moving speech of Lord Cavan in the English Press.

After dwelling on the friendship between Italy and England, consecrated by the brotherhood in arms, Lord Cavan continued: "In that greater Italy, now at last wholly enclosed by the Alpine wall, which, with the sea, makes her in the South an island counter-part of Britain in the North, we know that our Italian comrades will never forget that in the beautiful cemeteries they have assigned to us at Vicenza and in the mountains our British dead are left with their silent sentinels of an inviolable frontier."

"All around they lie in what was once Venetian earth, and here in Venice itself, in the beautiful city of immortal and heroic memories, the city whose fleets were the first link between the East and the West, and the last defence of Europe against invading Islam, in the city which has inspired our greatest poets and held our hearts enchained, we dedicate this monument to those who died in Italy. It will, I believe, help to cement for ever a friendship which has stood the test of time, which survived the ordeal of battle, and which is destined to grow more cordial in our common effort to maintain that peace and goodwill which will, we trust, be the fruit of so many and such bitter sacrifices."

"Having myself had the honour to command an Italian Army in which British and Italian corps fought side by side at the crossing of the Piave and in the final advance, which gloriously ended the war in Italy, I have returned, not without emotion, to the land which I then learned to love and the generous people whose good and evil fortunes we shared in a spirit of pure comradeship. Here in the Venice of Manin, remembering those eventful days, I salute my old brothers in arms—the simple soldier, the captain, the commanders, and the illustrious Sovereign, who, never doubting the final issue, so steadfastly maintained the spirit of his people."

Budapest, April 27.—Last week Budapest resounded with the chuckles of the faithful who daily visit the minute pump-room of the "Hungaria" spring. The oldest inhabitant of the Zoo, an elephant which has been known to the youth of at least three generations as "Uncle Sam," recently fell ill, and the professor who was called in to treat him diagnosed the trouble as inflammation of the kidneys, and prescribed a hundred litres of "Hungaria" water to be swallowed daily. For a time Sam expressed his disapproval of his novel drink by spouting it from his trunk at his keepers and visitors, but as he was deprived of all other liquids, he was eventually forced to swallow his daily ration, and the later bulletin declares that he is on the road to complete recovery.

SHARE PRICES.**TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.**

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:—

Banks.

Hongkong, \$1,100 b.
Chartered, \$201 n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$304 n.
Mercantile C., \$138 n.
P. and O., \$92 n.
East Asia, \$83 n.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins., \$615 b.
China Underwriters, \$180 b.
North China, \$145 n.
Unions, \$288 sa.
Yangtze, \$371 b.

Fire Ins.

China Fire, \$180 b.

Hongkong Fire, \$570 b.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$244 s.
Steamboats, \$24.60 b.
Tugs, \$27 s.
Indo-Chinas, \$38 n.
Shell Trans., \$7/6 n.
Star Ferries, \$62 b.
Waterboats, \$15 n.

Refineries.

China Sugars, \$241 b.
Malabaris, \$35 n.

Mining.

Benguets, \$1.50 b.
Kailans, 41/- ex. div.
Langkats, Tls. 244 b.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 5.25 n.
Shanghai Loans, Tls. 7 n.
Raub, \$5.00 n.
Ironohs, 65/- n.
Ural Caspians, 8/- n.
Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$123 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$55 n.
Hongkows, Tls. 175 b.
New Engineering, Tls. 5.90
Shanghai Docks Tls. 105 1/2 sa.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$10.50 b.
H.K. Lands, \$65 b.
Realtys, \$51 b.
Territorials, \$5 b.
Humphreys, \$144 n.
Princes Bldgs, \$95 n.
Rural Lands, \$7 n.

Cottons.

Ewos Cottons, 91 b.
Orientals, Tls. 3.00 n.
S'hai Cottons, Tls. 53 b.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$111 n.
Canton Ice, \$74 n.
Cements, \$142 s.
China Buses, Tls. 10.90 b.
China Lights, \$181 n.
China Prov., \$6 b.
Constructions, \$24 n.
Dairy Farms, \$19 s.
Der A. Wing, \$8 s.
Electric, \$66 b.
Macao Electric, \$40 n.
Developments, 25 cents, n.
Ropes, \$30 s.
Tramways, \$23.75 s.
Lane Crawfords, \$10 s.
Macintosh, \$194 n.
Peak Trams, \$161 b.
Sinceres, \$11 n.
Taxis, \$4 s.
United Asbestos, \$20 b.
Watsons, \$12.75 b.
Powells, \$9 s.

"OTHER-NESS" IN SEX.

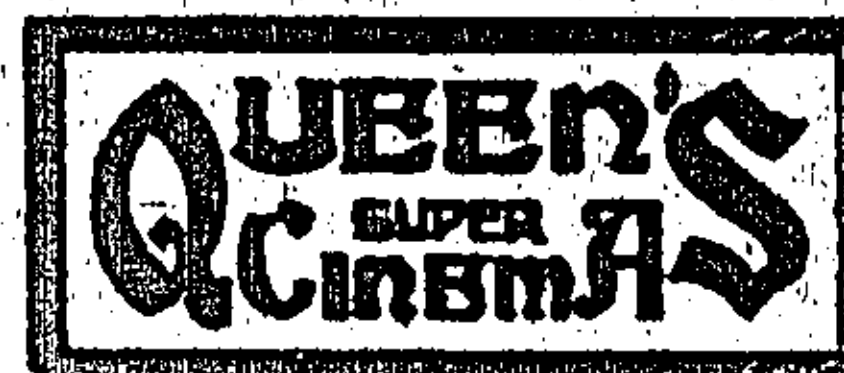
TWO HALVES OF THE FACE THAT DIFFER.

Berlin, April 29.—Students of the science of physiognomy have been deeply stirred this week in Berlin by a totally new theory propounded at a meeting of the Lavater Society by Dr. Wilhelm Fliess. A number of photographs were shown with half the face darkened. In practically every case the members of the audience pronounced the photograph to be that of a man when the left half of a woman's face was shown, and, in the case of the left side of a man's face, to be that of a woman.

This occasionally remarkable difference in the two sides of a person's face, which every photographer notices and of which film actors are acutely aware, Dr. Fliess explains by the presence of feminine elements in every man, while fundamental male characteristics are to be met with in every female. These "otherness" attributes have a habit of coming out more strongly on the left than on the right side. The greater the preponderance of these elements in any individual, the greater is the difference between this character and the normal type of the same sex.

This is one explanation of the so-called "artistic temperament"; photographs showing very wide differences between the two sides of a face were in all cases those of persons of peculiarly distinctive gifts in one form or other.

That this "other-ness" is not confined to human beings alone was sufficiently demonstrated by various leaves being folded down the middle: the two halves invariably displayed slight differences.

Entertainments.

TO-DAY ONLY

THE ROMANCE

of

"BARBARA FRIETCHIE"

A TALE OF LOVE AND WAR

WITH

FLORENCE VIDOR

AND

EDMUND LOWE

TO-MORROW

RAYMOND GRIFFITH

WALLACE BEERY AND LOUIS FAZENDA

IN

"THE NIGHT CLUB"

A PARAMOUNT COMEDY

THE STAR

TO-DAY ONLY

FIRST NATIONAL

presents

"SERENADE"

AN EXCITING SPANISH DRAMA

WITH

MIRIAM COOPER AND GEORGE WALSH

TO-MORROW

ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING
PICTURES OF THE YEAR

"HIS PEOPLE"

presented by

CARL LAEMMLE

"A MARVELLOUS PICTURE"

(PHOTOPLAY MAGAZINE)

"SINISTER FIGURE."

BITTER ATTACK ON
MR. CHURCHILL.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, addressing a London Labour party meeting at Kingsway Hall on the eve of the general strike, said he and his colleagues were worn out. They were faced with such a situation as they had never before met in their lifetimes.

In the House of Commons he had just heard a speech by Mr. Churchill, one of the most sinister figures in our public life to-day; a man of very brilliant intelligence but of a wayward and unsettling imagination that made him a sort of Ishmael who had no permanent habitation on this earth, but who by adventure and misadventure was constantly seeking new fields on which to exercise his restless and destructive spirit. He was a good literary man, but as a politician or statesman he was a man who had never touched anything without turning it to disastrous account.

"Our line, quite honestly and without any simulation, was peace. We fought for peace; we are not responsible if there is no peace."

He did not like general strikes, but honestly, what could be done? Cock of Hate Growing. Early that morning the Govern-

ment said it was going to stand upon its dignity, and went home without finishing negotiations or giving the T.U.C. the chance to finish negotiations. On this miserable, stilted petting excuse the Government was going to plunge the country into all sorts of trouble, making the Cock of Hate grow from John o' Groat's to Land's End.

"We will go straight on. A General Strike may start, but we are still prepared to negotiate. The Government has twice rung down the curtain when we were in the middle of processes which I believed would be successful."

"As soon as the danger is over, as soon as peace is declared, then thousands of these will, I know, turn round to the Government and say, 'We protected you that when you got into a muddle and out you go; that is the sort of thing that is necessary.'"

Disregarding Warning.

Mr. Oswald Moseley said for the past week the Government had been trying to do what it should have done two months ago.

"We see the Prime Minister," he continued, "like a sleepy old housewife who has disregarded all the warnings of her neighbours of a fire creeping on, and now awaking at the last moment in a vain flutter, rushing to and fro, falling over herself and everybody else and getting in the way."